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October 3, 1953

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J. W. Livingston.

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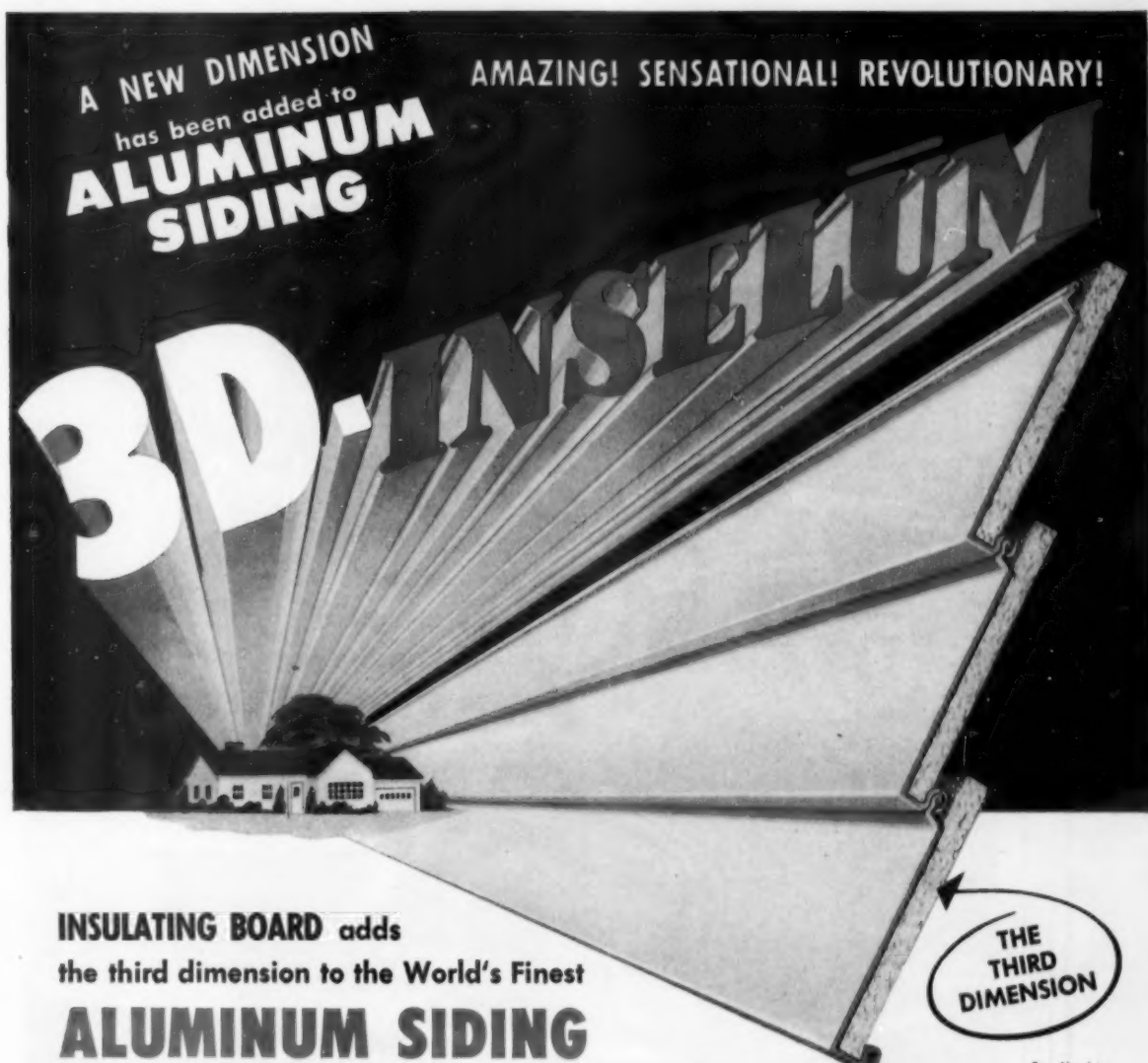
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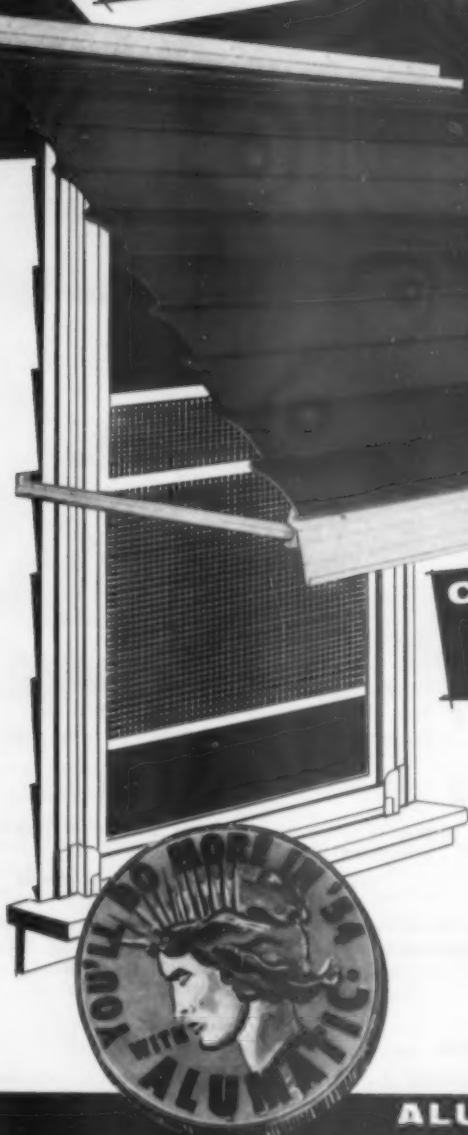
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**COMPARE** feature for feature with any other awning on the market... **YOU'LL AGREE -- there is something NEW under the sun!**

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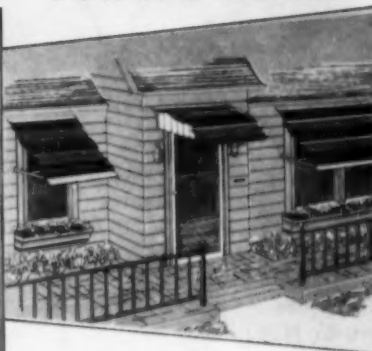
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- ☐ 86. Aluminum Facing
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- ☐ 59. Tools, Catalogs of
- ☐ 60. Underlayment for Roofing & Siding

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March, 1953. ....

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FOR SIDING JOBBERS & DEALERS EVERYWHERE!

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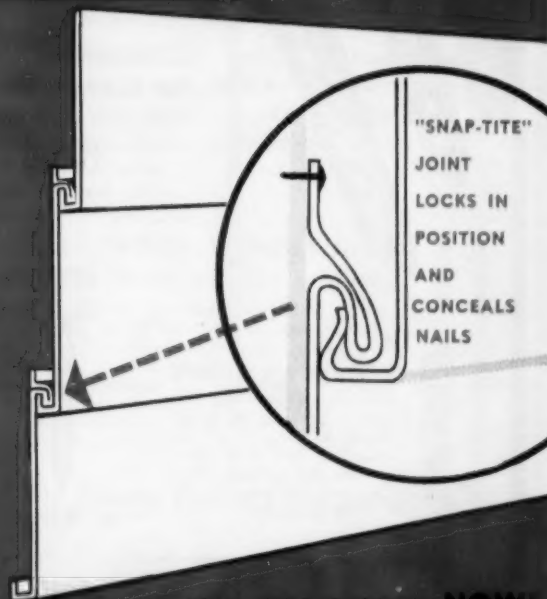
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# Put Roofing and WITH THESE

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Made with checkered or oval head for face nailing insulated brick siding—round head for shake shingles. Available in black, white or colors to blend with any siding or shingles. A permanent fastening that is practically invisible. Colors are finest lacquers, baked on to assure against damage in nailing.



• Wood fibres "lock" with the Stronghold threads. Nails can't loosen—ever!

### STRONGHOLD PLYWOOD NAILS...

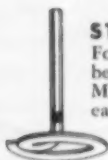
#### for fastening Wood, Asphalt or Asbestos Shingles and Siding to Plywood Sheathing

These nails have been especially developed to give permanent fastening of shingles or siding over plywood sheathing and are a "must" for this highly popular type of construction. The Stronghold thread and other features of design give exceptional holding power impossible to attain in plywood sheathing with any nails heretofore available. These nails have been engineered in cooperation with leading producers of plywood and are recommended by them.

FOR ROOFING FOR SIDING

### STORM ANCHORS

For use in fastening Asbestos Roofing Shingles. Made in one piece—easier to use, and more to the pound, than conventional types of fasteners.



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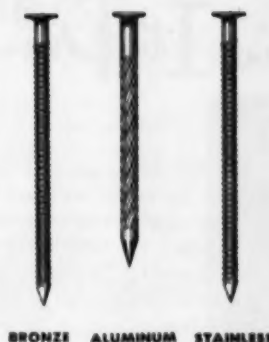
For Aluminum or Corrugated Galvanized Roofing

STRONGHOLD SCREW-TITE SMOOTH

STRONGHOLD SCREW-TITE

## ASBESTOS SIDING FACE NAILS in Bronze, Aluminum or Stainless Steel

Stronghold Nails for fastening Asbestos Siding Shingles were born with the industry, and developed by us at the request of makers of this type of shingle when it was first introduced. Since 1934, these nails have been the standard of the industry, and we have had the distinction of supplying practically all of the leading manufacturers of Asbestos Siding Shingles to the extent of millions of pounds annually. The Stronghold Threads will never allow the nail to pop, loosen or pull out. Available in colors if desired, to match all makes of shingles.



# Siding on to stay on...

## NAILS THAT ARE "ENGINEERED" FOR THE JOB

We pioneered threaded nails, and revolutionized fastening methods. There's a Stronghold or Screw-Tite Nail for every application, each one engineered to do a specific job better than any nail ever did it before. Our 40 years of experience as nail makers is back of them—and our reputation as the largest manufacturers of threaded nails in the United States.



### KURLICUE NAILS

Widely used for the application of built-up roofing. Easier and more economical to use than nails and tins. The large head assures a secure fastening. In either smooth or Stronghold; plain, cement coated, electro-galvanized finishes in steel. Also in copper or other metals.



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# "We like to install **FOAMGLAS** roof insulation for our customers"

reports R. T. Drake, Drake Roofing Co., Des Moines

In 1944 after applying roof and insulation on the Maytag Research Laboratory in Newton, Iowa, Tom Drake wrote us: "We were pleased with the FOAMGLAS insulation in the ease with which it was laid and the firm surface that it gave for the application of roof."

In 1953 Mr. Drake reported more fully: "We have used a lot of FOAMGLAS during the past years and enjoy using it due to its *lightness* and ease of handling. We find it very *easy to cut* around roof openings and it certainly *lays up surprisingly fast*. We have *never had any trouble with holes* being punched in the felts over FOAMGLAS due

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Like Drake Roofing, you'll profit two ways when you install FOAMGLAS . . . First, you'll find this unique cellular glass insulation ideal to work with. Secondly, you'll profit by having a satisfied customer. Waterproof, strong FOAMGLAS is the only insulation that can be depended on for long, trouble-free performance.

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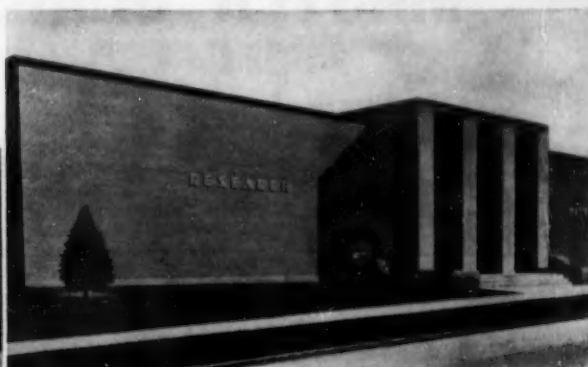


R. T. Drake  
Drake Roofing Company

## PITTSBURGH CORNING CORPORATION

One Gateway Center • Pittsburgh 22, Pa.

This modern Research and Development Building of The Maytag Company, Newton, Iowa, is one of many installations of FOAMGLAS roof insulation that has been applied by Drake Roofing Co., Des Moines, Iowa.



### TYPICAL ROOF SECTION



Architect (Supervising):  
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Engineer:  
The Austin Company, Cleveland  
General Contractor:  
A. H. Neumann & Bros. Company, Des Moines  
Roofers:  
Drake Roofing Company, Des Moines

Drake's crews know that the lightweight, easily handled blocks of FOAMGLAS are installed surprisingly fast. They are even able to move loaded wheelbarrows across the surface of the FOAMGLAS without damage to this strong, rigid insulation.

# FOAMGLAS®

The Cellular, Stay-dry Insulation

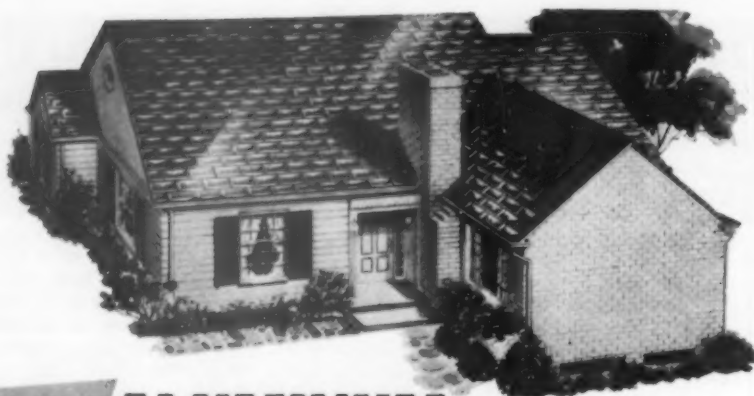


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At last, the perfected  
aluminum shingle...  
with shadow-cup  
design!



## REYNOLDS *Lifetime* ALUMINUM MASTER SHINGLES

Self-Aligning, Interlocking, Go up Quickly  
and Inexpensively... All Nails Concealed.  
Ideal for new building as well as re-roofing.

14" x 8" exposed surfaces  
Anti-Capillary Side Lap  
3/8" Shadow Line Depth



Here at last are the unequalled advantages  
of an aluminum roof... but in a new shingle of  
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Ideal for homes, schools, institutions.

*Permanent*, beyond any rust or rot or wear.

*Heat-reflective*... cooling a house as much as  
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too. Exceptionally *weathertight*. And the  
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application cost. Mail that coupon.

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# REYNOLDS ALUMINUM

BUILDING PRODUCTS

# AMERICAN ROOFER & SIDING CONTRACTOR

March

1954

## "Siding is better than ever and will have record year"



Left: Mr. Breedon delivers the address presented on this page before the members of the Wholesale Roofings Association.

### Says R. G. BREEDON, JR. Secretary-Manager Insulating Siding Association

sales have gone up sharply. In 1952 the United States Department of Commerce reported that more than 2,700,000 squares of insulating siding were

shipped in the United States. Compare that with 1937 when only 87,000 squares were shipped. There are some siding contractors in the country who do as much business in a year as the entire industry did back in the mid-thirties.

But the insulating siding industry is really just beginning to grow. We're overcoming some of the prejudices against the product that have unjustifiably hurt sales in some areas. Now we have a product that in appearance, performance and all-around quality represents an outstanding value. As such, it should be easy to sell.

### Meets ASTM Standards

First consider that insulating siding is a precision-made product, manufactured according to standards set up by the American Society for Testing Materials. If any of you have worked with this organization, you know that the product has to be good, or it just doesn't get by.

The base of modern insulating siding is half-inch insulating board — itself one of the wonders of the modern-day construction business. In the first step in manufacture of insulating siding,

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### Photo Of The Month

The beautiful York Motel, shown in our Photo Of The Month, has established a record in rapid construction of an outstanding hotel-type project. Ground for this deluxe motel, accommodating 47 units was broken on June 1st, 1953 and the first guest was registered on July 11th. By August 15th the entire motel was ready for occupancy.

All the latest construction features are incorporated in this building. Grey Blend Certain-teed Woodtex Shingles were the choice of the contractors when the York Motel was constructed, according to Fred H. Kromer, Vice President, Precision Housing Corporation, the general contractors. The added weight, deep shadow lines and pronounced wood-graining of Woodtex Shingles gave the contractors the "Roof of Distinction" they wanted, according to Mr. Kromer.

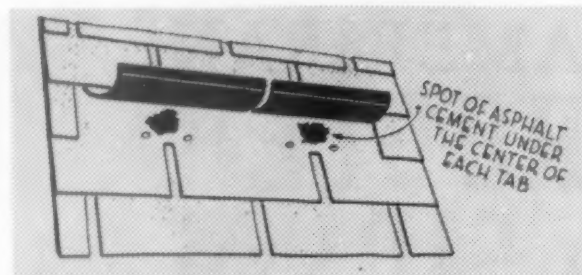
About 135 squares of the Certain-teed roofing shingles were used to complete the York Motel roof. The shingles were supplied and applied by Askue Supply Co., 7609 Grand Ave., Cleveland. The Motel is

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A MOMENT ago I mentioned that insulating siding got its start during the depression when roofing contractors began using asphalt shingles for covering sidewalls. Today's product has been improved considerably over that early version. In fact, you can scarcely see any resemblance at all. As the product has improved, the

Speaking before a distributors and roofing and siding contractors audience at the recent Wholesale Roofings Association meeting in Philadelphia, Mr. Breedon predicted that the home modernization industry was going to have its biggest boom in 1954, and that siding sales would boom with it. From a discussion of what to expect in the way of business Mr. Breedon covered some ground on new government FHA mortgage plans. His speech then traced the history of insulating siding, its steady growth and acceptance by rated organizations, its entry into the new home field, and some ideas on increasing sales. It is in the remarks on the history of siding that the excerpts here printed begin.

To cement shingle tabs, lift each tab and on the surface of the underlying shingle, under the center of the lifted tab, place a spot of quick-setting asphalt cement about 1 inch in diameter. Press the lifted tab down firmly. It is important to lift shingle tabs only far enough to place the cement. Use only enough cement to secure the tab without having an excess amount of cement that will be squeezed out over the exposed shingle surface. The cement can be applied with a caulking gun or a putty knife.



## Nailing asphalt shingles by newly revised methods

THE latest recommendations of the Asphalt Roofing Industry Bureau for application of three-tab, square butt asphalt strip shingles call for either four or six nails per strip, depending upon wind conditions.

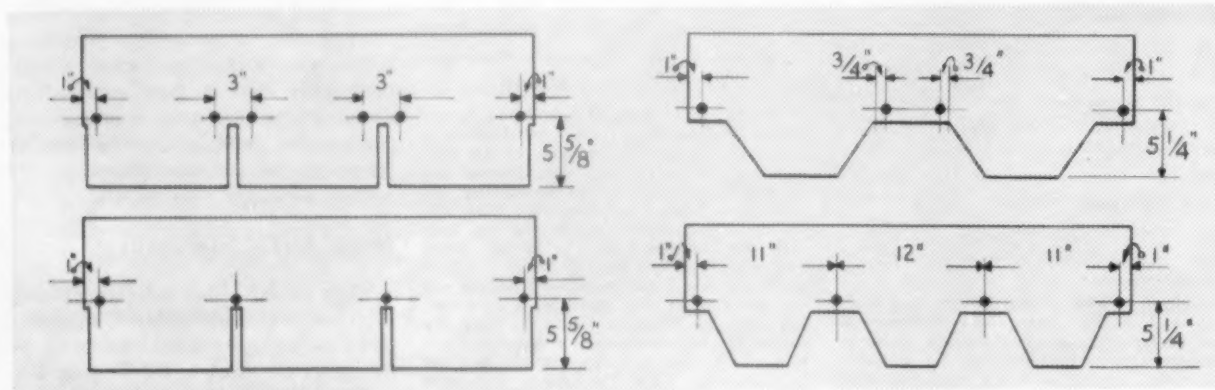
"Three-tab, square butt strips should have a minimum of four nails per strip,

although six are preferable and will provide added resistance to the effects of high winds," the Bureau says. "Experience has shown, however, that where tab cement is used (or clips) four nails per strip provide adequate security."

Fig. 1 shows exact nail locations

for fastening square butt strip shingles. It is important that nails be located exactly as indicated. For cementing down shingle tabs, quick-setting asphalt cement is used. Fig 2 shows cementing detail.

Nailing asphalt shingles is the most  
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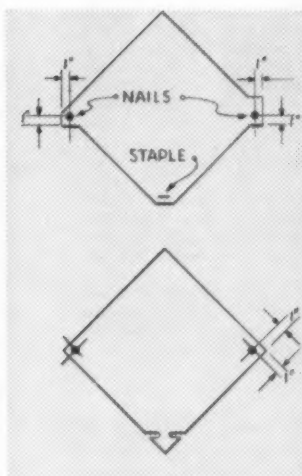
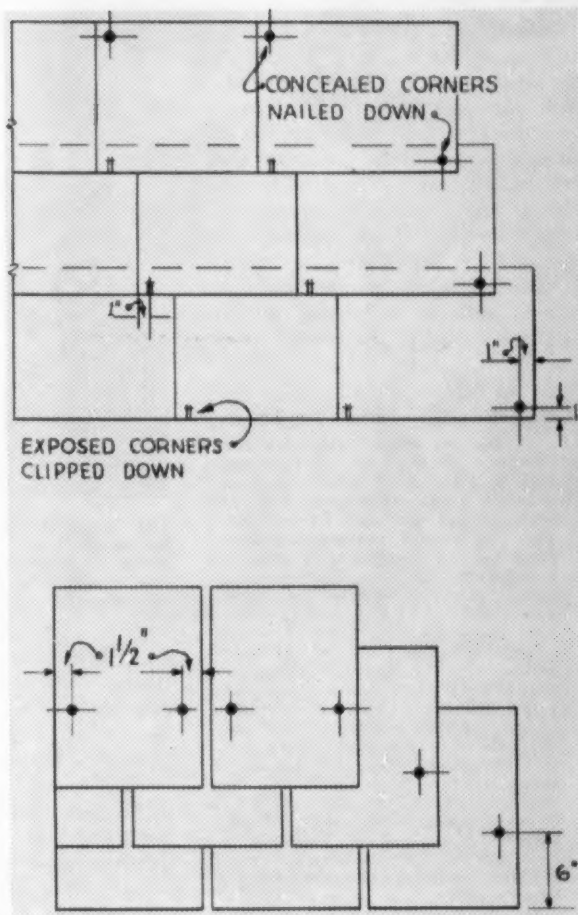
The top diagram shows nail placement for six-nailing of three-tab, square butt asphalt strip shingles; four-nailing is shown in the bottom diagram. In both cases, all nails should be located horizontally on a line  $5\frac{5}{8}$  inches up from the bottom edge of shingle butts. Also in both cases, there should be a nail 1 inch in from each end of the strip. The only difference is in the nails above the cutouts. In six-nailing, locate a nail  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches on each side of the center line of each cutout. In four-nailing, center one nail above each cutout.

Nailing of two-tab hexagonal strip shingles is indicated in the top diagram, and nailing of three-tab Hex strips in the bottom one. In application of both styles, four nails per strip are used. All nails are located on a horizontal line  $5\frac{1}{4}$  inches up from the bottom edge of shingle butts. With two-tab shingles place a nail 1 inch in from each end and a nail  $\frac{1}{4}$  inches in from each angle of the cutouts. With three-tabs strips, place a nail 1 inch in from each end and center a nail above each of the two cutouts.



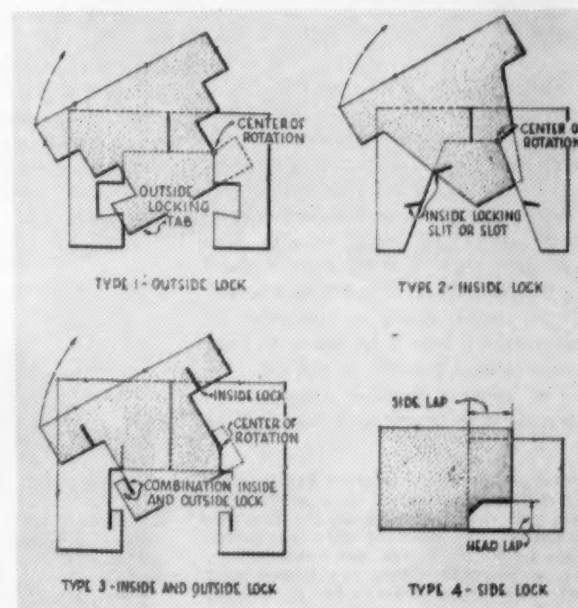
Right. Giant individual shingles are applied by either of two methods—Dutch lap (top diagram) or American (bottom diagram). The Dutch lap method calls for two nails. When shingles are laid from left to right, locate nails in the upper left and lower right corners 1 inch from the side and 1 inch from the top or bottom edge. For right-to-left application, reverse the position of the nails. The exposed lower corner of each shingle should never be nailed. It may be secured either by a non-corrodible metal clip, by a spot of quick-setting cement, or by means of a locking device which some manufacturers build into the shingle for this purpose.

The American method of application requires two nails for each shingle. Nails are located 6 inches up from the lower exposed edge and 1½ inches in from each side.



Left: Individual hex shingles are of two types—staple-down (top diagram) or lock-down (bottom diagram). The stapled type requires two nails and one fastener. Locate a nail 1 inch up from the lower corner of each shoulder tab and a nail 1 inch from the end. Apply a non-corrodible wire staple to the lower corner of each shingle so as to secure it to adjacent tabs of shingles in the course immediately below but not to the shingle in the second course below. This lower corner should never be nailed. Lock-down hex shingles are secured with two nails in each shingle. A nail goes in each corner, 1 inch in from the diagonal edges. Fasten the lower corner of the shingle by inserting the locking tab under exposed edges of adjacent shingles in the course below.

Nailing of interlocking shingles varies according to the specific style of shingle used. The manufacturer's instructions, which are packaged with shingles at the factory, should be carefully followed. The diagram right illustrates the locking features of the four types of interlocking shingles most generally manufactured.



## "Siding Is Better"

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the insulating board is impregnated on both sides with asphalt, enough to prevent the entry of moisture but not enough to impair the insulating property of the board. Then the board is given a second coat of weatherproofing asphalt on the exposed side only. Into this coating are embedded colorful, fireproof mineral granules which are formed with an embossing roll into the basic design of the siding.

### Can You Say "Yes" To These

1—Do you check back with the customer after every job to make sure he's satisfied? That's easy to overlook when you're busy. But tomorrow you may not be so busy and you'll need recommendations from today's customers in getting new business.

2—Do your canvassers know where to look for prospects? Do they make prospects out of home owners who don't realize the roof needs fixing or that new siding is needed? Do they canvass the so-called gold coast areas where credit is generally no problem?

3—Do your applicators also serve in your selling program? Do they make special effort to please the home owner and are they alert to other prospects in the neighborhood where they are working?

4—Do you have a planned promotion program through newspaper, radio, television or direct mail advertising, or a combination of all four? Do you make full use of the sales aids provided by manufacturers?

5—If you have display rooms, do they contribute to your selling effort by being attractive and by showing the product to best advantage?

The finished product offers a multiplicity of advantages to the home owner. It provides sufficient sidewall insulation for all but the northernmost one-fifth of the country where supplementary insulation is required. Insulating siding has lasting beauty. The man who buys it won't have to haul out the paint buckets and ladders every two or three years, or negotiate an improvement loan if he wants to have a professional painter do the job.

The mineral granules provide considerable fire-retarding value just as

Although the major market for insulating siding still lies in home modernization, you can capitalize on the prestige gained by the product through acceptance by F. H. A. for new construction. This photograph shows new homes built with insulating siding in a Detroit suburb.



The "prestige" appeal of insulating siding has been put to good use in this older home, given a modern look with installation of new windows, shutters and a coat of shake shingle insulating siding.

they do on asphalt roofing shingles. Besides insulating, the fiberboard base helps soundproof the home. We conducted a survey about four years ago among the home owners who had modernized with insulating siding. When asked what benefits they considered most important, a surprisingly large number of them put soundproofing near the head of the list.

You know about the growing importance of color in selling building materials, especially roofing and siding. Fortunately, the manufacturers of insulating siding and the makers of asphalt roofing, helped by the granule manufacturers, spotted this trend before it started. They have been making siding and roofing in smart new pastel colors for several years. This has been called the "pastel age" by designers and color engineers. Pastel shades certainly provide a pleasant contrast with the somber, sometimes drab, colors of a few years ago. They have done much

to increase the sale of insulating siding for both new construction and modernization.

### Shake Shingles Dominate

The shake shingle patterns of insulating siding, especially those with the deep shadow line, have outsold the popular brick patterns two to one in recent years.

You perhaps recall that insulating siding started out almost entirely in the brick design. Makers of other siding materials tried to imitate brick. But they failed and switched to wood imitations. But brick remained the dominant insulating siding pattern until well into the late forties. It was so

The average home owner is half-sold on any remodeling project before you start talking to him. And we've got more home owners to work on than ever before.

Consider some of the obvious arguments in our favor:

1—Money spent on modernization is not reckless spending. In fact, it's really not spending at all—it's an investment.

2—Pride in home ownership is a greater force today than at any time in history. Appeal to that pride in talking to owners of homes that have seen their better days.

3—There's a practical appeal in the fact that modernization actually adds resale value to the property—and more resale value than the cost of the modernization. If the prospect won't believe you, simply refer him to the banker in the neighborhood.

4—Another point in your favor is the fact you're selling a product that does the job it's designed for and will continue to do it through the years.

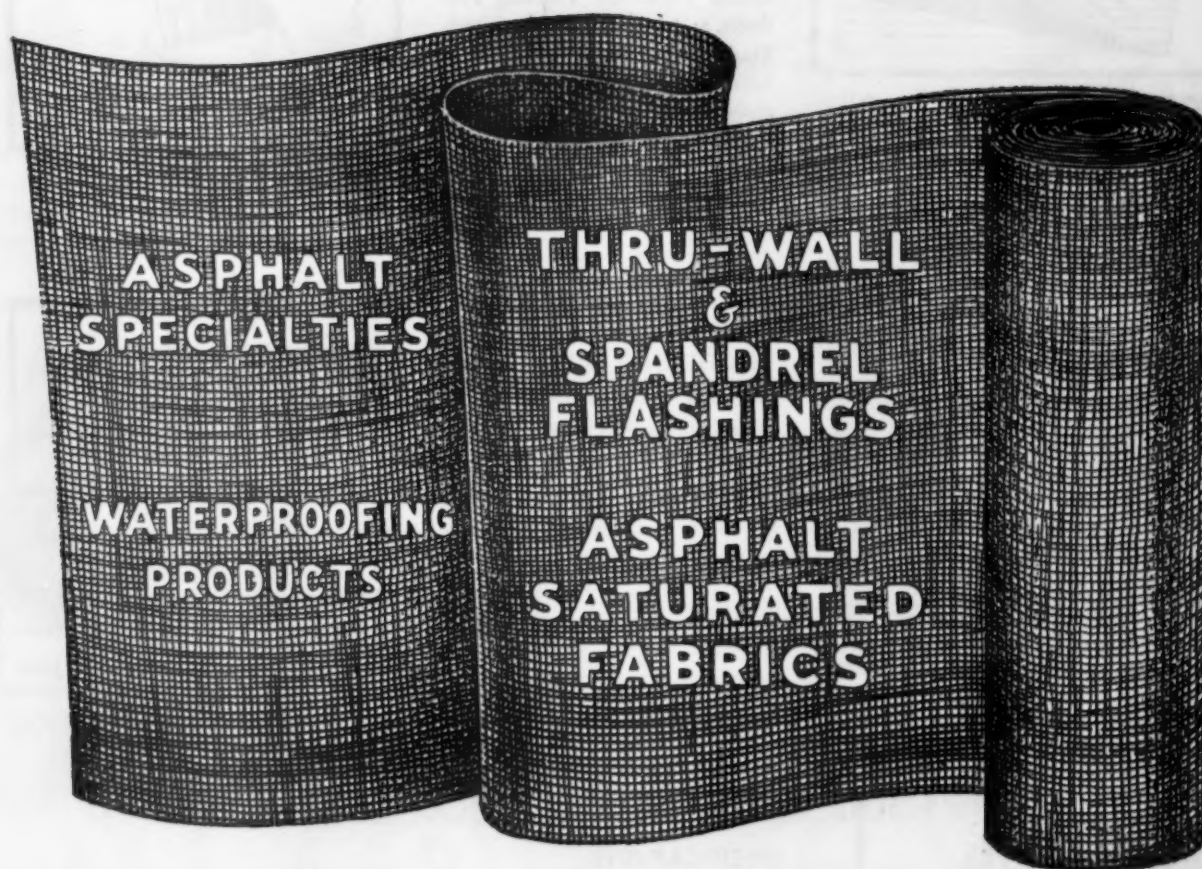
5—Most important, the product needs your special talents as an applicator in order to realize its full value to the home owner.

successful that many manufacturers were reluctant to change to shake  
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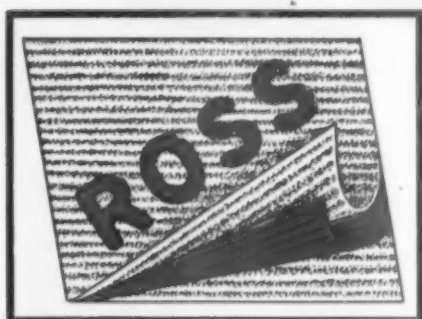
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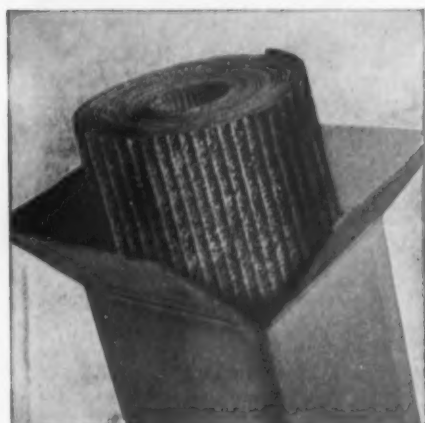


# ROSS FLASHING PRODUCTS

*for spandrel, through-wall and concealed flashings*

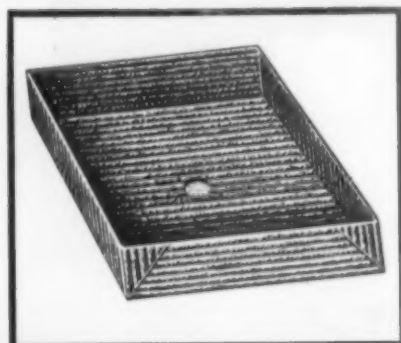


**ROSS COPPER-FABRIC FLASHING**



**ECONOMY**

No waste - delivered cut to exact size



**SHOWER PAN**

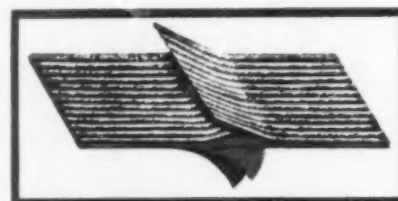
## SPECIFICATIONS

**THRU-WALL FLASHING:** under and over doors and windows, at floor levels, spandrel beams, etc., and wherever shown on drawings. The material to be used at above locations shall be one of the ROSS Thru-Wall Flashing Products, as specified by the architect. Flashing shall start within  $\frac{1}{2}$ " of outside face of wall and continue through the wall as shown on the drawings. Turn up on back of wall shall be not less than 2" and lapping of joints shall be not less than 4".

**ROSS COPPER FABRIC FLASHING:** 2 layers of asphalt saturated membrane cloth bonded to a core of electrolytic copper scientifically combined to give an excellent flashing which has the flexibility of fabric and the permanence of copper.



**FLEXIBILITY**



**INTERLOCKING MULTIPLE SPLICE**

Possible with Ross, gives six plies of material at the joint, all interlocking, resulting in an absolutely water-tight joint.

## ROSS COPPER-FABRIC SHOWER PAN

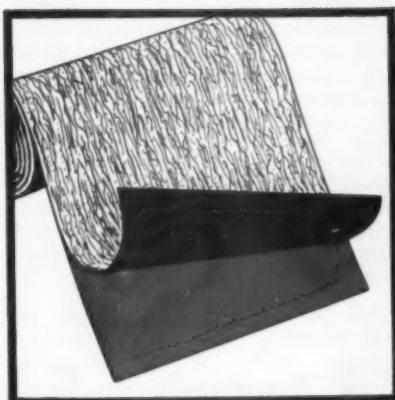
### SPECIFICATIONS:

Copper and fabric in one sheet ready for hand-forming. The material shall consist of a sheet of copper weighing 3, 5, or 7 oz. per sq. ft. bonded to and between 2 layers of asphalt saturated cotton fabric by means of a special ductile mastic, as manufactured by the Ross Flashing Co., Cambridge, Mass.

### APPLICATION:

The surface receiving the Shower Pan shall be thoroughly dry, free from loose materials, reasonably smooth, and shall be coated with mastic. The sides of the pan shall be turned up at least 6" and a hole cut for the drain making same watertight. The material shall be cut at the factory to the exact size required and shipped to the job in a one piece roll.





ROSS FLASH-TEX FLASHING

**ROSS FLASH-TEX**—is electro-sheet copper weighing 1, 2, or 3 ounces per square foot, bonded on one side with heavy reinforced waterproof creped Kraft paper. When applied to side walls, roofs, under floors and linoleum, it produces an enduring protection against vapor and termites and provides an effective insulation.



ROSS COPPERCOTE FLASHING

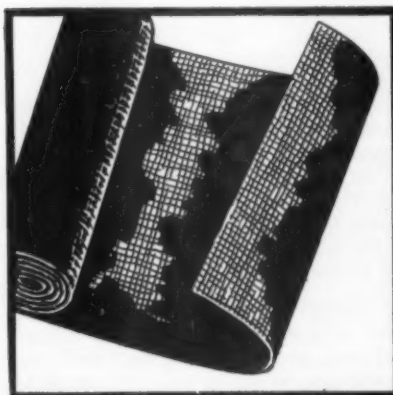
**ROSS COPPERCOTE**—consists of electro-sheet copper (2, 3, 5 or 7 oz. per sq. ft.) protectively coated on both sides with a minimum of 6 oz. per sq. ft. of asphaltic compound made to Ross' exclusive formula. This formula is a combination of asphalt, waxes and oils—scientifically balanced to assure maximum protection to the copper under all conditions.

#### ROSS WIRE-MESH FABRIC FLASHING—

Type P—a combination of two layers of full seal asphalt saturated cotton fabric and a core of steel wire mesh.

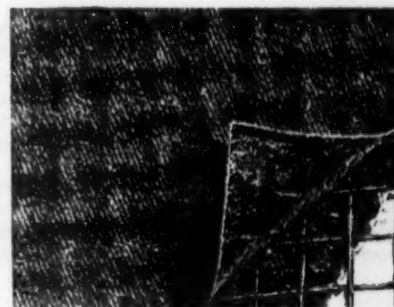
Type R—same as Type P Except that asphalt membrane is used in place of full seal fabric.

Type PR—same as Type R except that it has wider steel mesh openings.



ROSS FABRICSEAL FLASHING

**ROSS FABRICSEAL** — tough cotton fabric coated with special asphalt compounds, the completed product weighing a minimum of 40 oz. per sq. yd. A strong and flexible flashing resistant to acid and alkalies and unaffected by extremely high or low temperatures. Used to protect pipes and conduits from corrosion.



ROSS WIRE - MESH FLASHING

## OTHER ROSS FLASHING PRODUCTS

**ROSS FULL SEAL FABRIC FLASHING** — rugged cotton close-meshed fabric that is saturated and heavily coated with a special asphaltic compound.

**ROSS ALUMINUM FABRIC FLASHING** — Similar to ROSS Copper-Fabric Flashing but with aluminum core.

**ROSS ALUMCOTE FLASHING** — Similar to ROSS Coppercote, but with aluminum instead of copper.

**ROSS LEADTEX FLASHING** — Similar to ROSS Flashtex, but with lead instead of copper.

**ROSS LEADTEX FABRIC FLASHING** — Similar to ROSS Copper Fabric Flashing but with lead core.

**ROSS SPANDREL FABRIC OPEN MESH** — Similar to ROSS Waterproofing Fabric but is produced by using a heavier cotton membrane fabric as a base.



**ROSS WATERPROOFING FABRIC** is a strong, elastic fabric, thoroughly impregnated with a highly specialized asphalt. This exclusive Ross process permits the fabric to unroll easily, without sticking or distortion. Its open mesh construction allows surface coatings to penetrate and interlock, providing a strong mechanical bond.

This elastic interlocking system is very pliable and prevents rupture due to expansion and contraction of the applied surfaces.

Ross Waterproofing Fabric is ideal for roof repairs, flashings, parapet walls and for covering entire roof areas when combined with Ross Roof Coating and Cement.

Each roll of Ross Waterproofing is 50 yards long. It may be obtained in the following widths: 4", 6", 9", 12", 18", 24", 30" and 36".

*←Notice the smooth edges of these rolls of ROSS Roofing Fabric. See how easily the fabric unrolls.*

In most instances, 2 plies of ROSS Waterproofing Fabric with 3 heavy moppings of ROSS Waterproofing Asphalt will give absolutely adequate protection. The number of plies is variable and depends on the character of work and surrounding conditions.

The following table will be found convenient as giving a general indication of what will be required on average work within a reasonable margin of safety.

Hydrostatic Head in Feet	Number of Plies
Up to 15 feet	2
15 to 50 feet	3
over 50 feet	4

Four plies will be sufficient to waterproof any class of work regardless of head.

For 2 ply work it will require 25 sq. yds. of ROSS Waterproofing Fabric and 100 lbs. (12 gals.) of asphalt per 100 sq. ft. of surface to be waterproofed, applied in accordance with manufacturers' specifications.

**ROSS ROOF COATING**—A heavy liquid asphalt, designed to preserve the waterproofing qualities and to increase the life of all types of Smooth Surface Prepared Roofings. Periodic reconditioning of all Smooth Surface Roofs with this material even though the roof is in good condition, greatly prolongs its life.

**ROSS CONCRETE PRIMER**—An asphaltic paint of thin consistency. Used on concrete, masonry or steel, to provide a proper bond between the asphalt and supporting structure in roofing or waterproofing work.

**ROSS PLASTIC CEMENT**—A product having many uses. This is a heavy fibrous asphalt preparation of a

consistency for trowel or putty knife application. It is exceedingly adhesive and highly weather-resistant. Ideal for stopping leaks on roofs, in valleys or gutters, around skylights or for filling cracks in foundation walls. Also excellent for sealing cracks and crevices in boiler settings to prevent infiltration of air and resultant fuel waste. Can be applied on any type of surface. Will even adhere perfectly when used on wet surfaces.

**ROSS ASPHALT FIBRE COATING**—A liquid asphalt stabilized and reinforced with Asbestos Fibre. Gives a heavier and more durable coating than ordinary roof coating. Very effective on any type of Smooth Surface or metal roofs.

### Other ROSS Asphalt and Waterproofing Products

Cold Application Cement  
Wide Selvege Cement  
Built-Up Resurfacer  
Asphalt Paint  
Asphalt

Flashing Cement  
Shingle Adhesive  
Roofing Cement  
Asphaltum

Foundation Coating  
Liquid Lap Cement  
Asphalt Emulsions  
Liquid Asphalt

Colorless Waterproofing  
Caulking Compounds  
Metallic Waterproofing  
Waterproofing and Damp-proofing

All Ross Products are manufactured to comply with all rigid requirements of A.S.T.M., Federal Specifications, A.R.E.A. This company maintains a staff of engineering specialists who will be glad to aid you in solving waterproofing problems.

Literature and samples upon request.

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Left to right, Guy T. O. Hollyday, Charles Reitell, Arthur H. Gager.



## Largest NERSICA show to hear Hollyday, Reitell, Gager

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**H**IGHLIGHTS of what promises to be the largest, best attended conclave in NERSICA's history will include: a major address by Federal Housing Administration Commissioner Guy T. O. Hollyday on the new government improvement programs; a record breaking list of manufacturers exhibiting the latest and best products in their lines; and the luncheon honoring the "Founders" of NERSICA.

#### Well-Rounded Agenda

These items are only part of the well-rounded agenda that will encompass three full days — March 21, 22, and 23 — at the Hotel Statler in New York City. The popular Built-up Roofing Forum will cover two entire day sessions; there will be forums on office management and building specialties and a luncheon address by management expert Dr. Charles Reitell on sound business management practices — among other items of interest to the Exposition visitor.

Mr. Hollyday, who took up the reins of FHA less than a year ago, is expected to discuss the new modernization and slum clearance programs and how the roofing contractor can participate in it. If the recent Housing Committee's recommendations are accepted, financing for home modernization, now ceilinged at \$2,500, could

be raised by \$1,000 and for a five year period. The commissioner's address will cover many points and questions concerning the nation's roofing contractors. Mr. Hollyday, the first Republican appointee to head the Administration since its inception in 1934, had been in the title insurance business prior to his appointment and in 1946 was the president of the Mortgage Bankers Association.

The list of exhibitors now encompasses 144 manufacturers utilizing 167 booths, with the exhibit area covering well over a half acre of space (elsewhere on these pages AMERICAN ROOFER AND SIDING CONTRACTOR has printed a floor plan and list of exhibitors with their booth numbers for your convenient use at the show.) In addition to products directly connected with the field, the newly opened mezzanine exhibit space will feature such varied items as silicone, hardware and translucent panels.

Following Mr. Hollyday's speech at the March 23 luncheon will be the honor presentation to those who were members of the original Northeastern Reroofing and Residing Contractors Association from its beginnings in 1933 to the formation of the present association in 1943. All past presidents of the present association will also be included among the honor list.

At the luncheon of March 24, Dr. Reitell, who is a member of the management engineering firm of Stevenson, Jordan and Harrison, will present a "refresher" course of the four-day Management Clinic he conducted at the 1948 convention. With the aid of past president Lee Verchereau as moderator, Dr. Reitell will conduct an all-afternoon forum. He prepared the manual "Sound Management for Members of NERSICA" after a six-month survey of the industry and should have many pertinent comments on the subject.

#### "Make More in '54"

Following the 1954 theme of "Make More in '54", idea forums are offered to solve problems through the panel of experts - question and answer technique. As in 1953, a major portion of forum time will be devoted to Built-up Roofing. Covering morning and afternoon sessions during the first two days, the opening AM and PM sections will be devoted to Cold Process methods.

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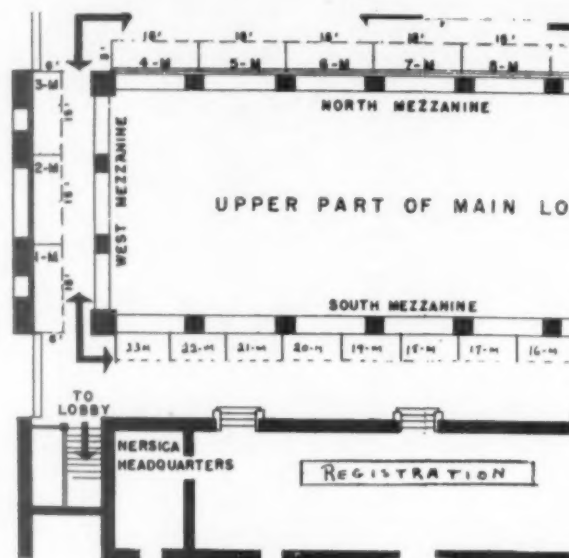
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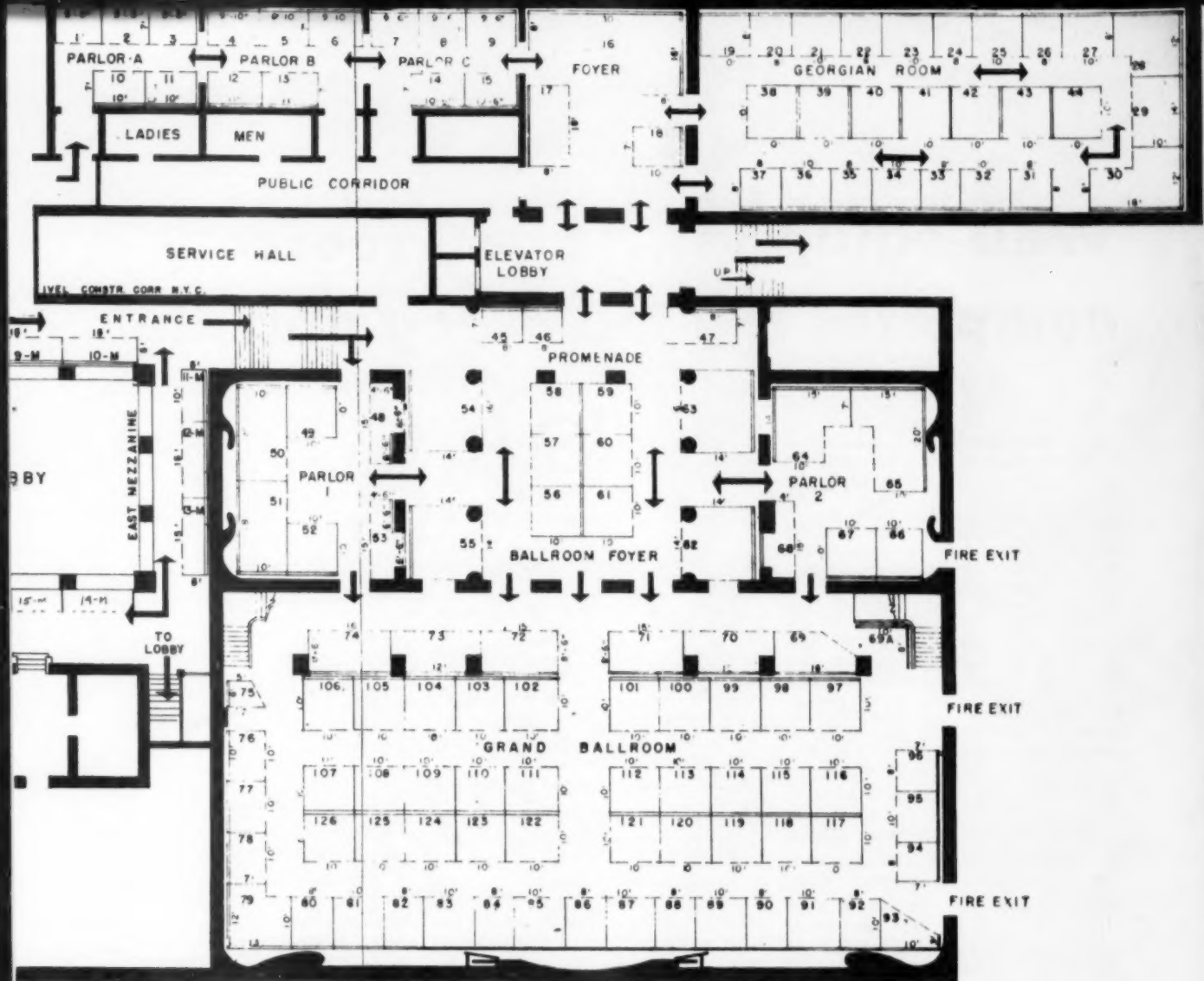
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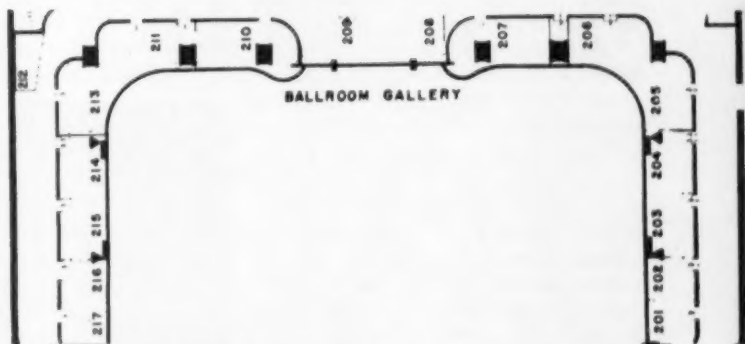


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# Well-equipped "small roofer" completes big job in icy climate

*R. S. Brinkerhoff is a roofing contractor in Missoula, Montana, which, as he describes it, "... is a beautiful little city located in the heart of the Rocky Mountains." Mr. Brinkerhoff is proud of his city and business, and happy with his work, his family and friends. Recently, Mr. Brinkerhoff was awarded the roof contract on a multi-million dollar mill and processing plant for the Diamond Match Co. on the Idaho-Montana border.*

*The editors, in asking Mr. Brinkerhoff for his first hand account of the job, requested that he also tell about his business, how it operates and all the little factors that go into the making of a successful operation. In his own words, this is what he has to say about his operations ...*

**S**ELLING and advertising play a very small part in our operations. This is not a heavily populated area and there is just so much business to be had. I do all my own sales work and it is nearly all on a personal basis as I have either known the customer for a number of years or he and his friends have known of me. We figure out what is to be done and that is that.

Of course on new construction it is a case of figuring the specifications prior to the letting, and submitting our sub-contract bids per specifications.

I believe in advertising, but in our instance there just doesn't seem to be a place for it and my advertising costs simmer down to an occasional treat for one of my customers, an expense at a contractors' meeting, our telephone listing, and a few other small items like that.

Our preliminary sales work on re-roofing work and a great deal of bidding on new construction is done during the winter months and we try once the roofing weather arrives to be pretty well lined up for the season's work.

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**By R. S. BRINKERHOFF**  
Roofing Contractor  
Missoula, Montana

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## Cooperative Office

I keep our office in the Rand Sheet Metal Works, co-operate with Mr. Rand on combination roofing and sheet metal bids and was formerly in partnership with Mr. Rand. I have a lot at the edge of town with a couple of small buildings on it for warehousing, storing equipment and general repair work on our equipment.

Due to health I have had to give up actual roof work but have three young, clean, ambitious men. One is my general foreman and the other two can act as sub-foremen when the occasion arises ...

*The plant is situated 60 miles from Mr. Brinkerhoff's home base, in the heart of the mountainous forest area. Hazards of timber fires, approaching cold weather and simultaneous construction on other segments of the plant helped make the job all the harder. Here, again in his own words, Mr. Brinkerhoff gives the account of the solution to that difficult task ...*

The Diamond Match Company leased a tremendous acreage of virgin timber on the Idaho-Montana border and proceeded to build and install a multi-million dollar mill and processing plant for this operation right at the site, building highways, railway spurs and buildings ranging from one of 100 ft. by 900 ft. approximately, down to little ones of about 100 sq. ft. of floor space.

This work was started in the summer with the large building first. Our orders were to get as much of the roof-



This view of the operation, above, was taken from a hillside. The parked automobile visible in the far right foreground gives an indication of the great height of the buildings and points up the difficulties faced by Mr. Brinkerhoff's men in pumping hot pitch from the ground to the roof. Sub-zero weather, a very tight work schedule and the size of the project all contributed to making this a difficult job.

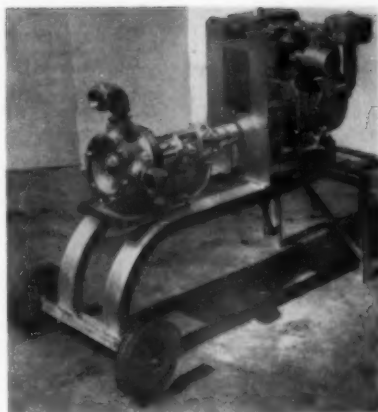
ing on as possible regardless of weather until winter really closed in. We started the last of September and worked until the 23rd of December. We started up again in March and got up to date in May, went back last fall for more work and should finish this coming spring unless more buildings have been planned during the winter.

### Three Problems

This plant is situated about sixty miles from Missoula right in the heart of the mountains and forest and we were confronted with three main problems: (1) fire hazard, (2) coming frost and cold weather and (3) keeping out of the way of other construction as much as possible.

We were to start roofing right behind the carpenters and other construction crews before any fire protection was available, and early fall in the forest is very dangerous as far as fire is concerned. Everything is tinder and the slightest spark is liable to start a holocaust. Consequently, we had to keep our kettles 50 ft. from the buildings. This first building, as I have stated, was 120 x 900 ft., the roof of laminated wood arch construction which measured 129 feet from eave to eave. The eaves were 40 ft. from the ground and the crown of the roof an additional 20 ft. To add to the problem there was about 30 ft. of level ground at the side of the building which had a continuous flow of traffic — trucks, cranes, bulldozers and other equipment. At the edge of this 30 ft. we had another 10 to 15 ft. drop to another level of ground.

In order to get my job done I was



A pump, similar to this RP-9 pump of the Aeroil Products Co., was employed in boosting hot stuff from ground to roof on this job. Mr. Brinkerhoff claimed to have put 8500 to 9500 lbs. of pitch through the pump daily.

going to have to use from 4 to 6 mops and consequently, getting the hot stuff to the roof by hand was out of the question. The result was that we used over 250 ft. of 1½" black iron pipe from the pump to the roof hydrant and back to the kettle.

### Cold Snap

The new pump handled this easily, but the next problem was to prepare for cold weather. With that much exposed pipe surface, we were due for trouble at the first cold snap, as it might freeze our asphalt in the pipe. To overcome this, we covered the pipe with 1" asbestos insulation and covered the insulation by wrapping it with 15# felt. Incidentally, this pipe was all set up on wooden trusses, high enough for traffic to flow unhindered underneath.

The cold weather brought two more

problems besides the operation of the pump. They were: (Keeping the roofing material warm enough to be pliable for roofing and (2) the heavy frost or light morning snow which not only made working conditions very hazardous on that barrel roof, but made the stiff felt liable to break rather than unroll. The felt that was on the roof, but uncompleted, was going to be so damp that we would be unable to work on it.

### Heated Tent

We set up a 19' x 23' tent, installed an oil heater and proceeded to keep the temperature in the tent at about 70 degrees. Roofing paper was then moved daily from the general stockpile to the tent and left in this warm temperature for at least 24 hours before sending it up to the roof. As the weather got colder, only about an hour's supply of felt was sent up at a time. The roof consisted of a dry sheet of 45# asbestos felt and two layers of 15# asbestos felt embedded in hot asphalt and coated with hot asphalt. After due time for oxidation, the asphalt coating was sprayed with an aluminum coating. In warming the felt, the 45# was cut in approximately 18 ft. lengths and left laying flat in the tent so that it could stretch. We did not unroll the 15# felt prior to using, but had no trouble with it after the stay in the warming tent.

On the roof we strung chicken ladders down the slopes and held them by a long rope over the crown of the roof, tying them together.

### Exposed Dry Sheet

We were following right behind the carpenters and as the wood decking was laid, a roofing crew would put down the dry sheet. Inasmuch as this dry sheet had to stay exposed to the weather for an indefinite time, it was going to become coated with frost or snow. When we were ready to apply the hot roof we would be stopped by the moisture. Consequently, we placed the dry sheet in position, but instead of nailing in the usual secure manner, we secured this sheet with long strips of 1" x 4" decking that would spring with the bend of the roof. In this manner the decking and building was immediately protected from the weather, and when we were ready to use hot stuff all we had to do was rip up the wood strips. If the 45# dry sheet was moist we would just flop it over, nail it securely and go ahead with our

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Another aerial angle of the job site shows the plant during construction. The long, large building in the foreground was roofed first in the midst of a very dry season. Potentially dangerous fire conditions added to the handicaps and required the roofer to keep his kettles at least 50 feet from the building.



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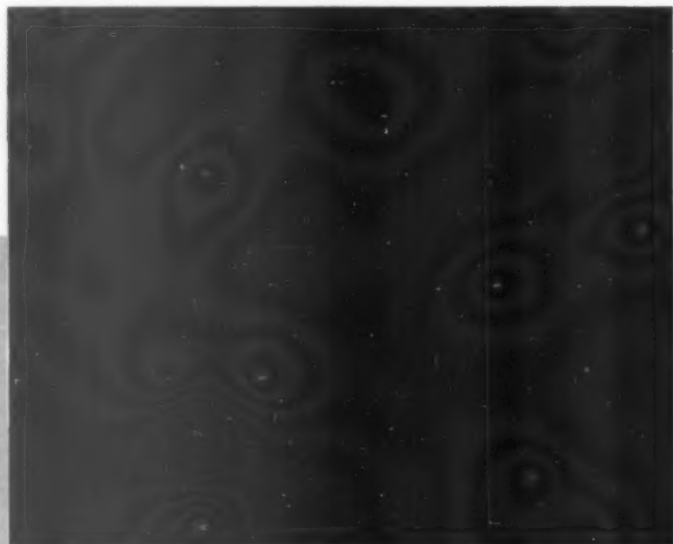
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# NEWS of the Month

## Celotex Elevates Rector To Ass't. Merchandising Mgr.

William H. Rector has been appointed assistant merchandise manager of the roofing and allied products department of The Celotex Corporation, it was announced recently



W. H. RECTOR

by Fred W. Lagerquist, department manager, in Chicago.

Mr. Rector has been associated with Phillip Carey Roofing Co., Cincinnati, and more recently with U. S. Gypsum Co., Chicago.

## National Sales Conference Held By Patent Scaffolding's Mgrs.

Managers of the 21 branch offices of The Patent Scaffolding Co., Inc., and its four manufacturing plants completed a five-day national sales conference recently at the company's headquarters in Long Island City, New York.

Keynote of the meetings, which covered all types of scaffolds for building construction, maintenance and repair, was increased service and economy for the contractor. Two of the highlights were inspection and demonstration of a new sectional steel hoist tower, recently introduced to supplement the company's steel hoist tower already on the market, and prototypes of new products to be marketed soon.

## Harrison B. Rue New Branch Manager of Chase Bag Co.

Harrison B. Rue of the Chase Bag Company's Buffalo branch has been promoted to Branch Manager, Mr. W. N. Brock, General Sales Manager, announced recently. Prior to his promotion, he served as Acting Manager.

Immediately after World War II, in which he served as a Captain in the Marines, Mr. Rue was a salesman for Chase in the New Orleans territory and later was promoted to Sales Manager of the Buffalo branch.



## Sales Promotion Mgr. Named For Reynolds Building Prods.

Arvo Aho, formerly Merchandising Manager of the Dayton Rubber Company, has been named Sales Promotion Manager, Building Products Division, Reynolds Metals Company, Louisville, Kentucky.

Prior to his association with Dayton Rubber, Mr. Aho was account executive with the Allman Advertising Agency in Detroit. With a total of 12 years experience in sales, advertising and sales promotion activities, he has worked in advertising and sales promotion capacities with the B. F. Goodrich Company, and in large retail operations.

A native of New Castle, Pennsylvania, Mr. Aho attended Carnegie Tech, and spent four years in the service during World War II.

## Jones & Brown Celebrates Company's 20th Anniversary

Shaking hands and celebrating the first 20 successful years of Jones & Brown, Inc. are



Jack Schoffman (left) & E. N. Rosenthal in front of 20th anniversary cake.

Mr. Jack Schoffman, on the left, with Mr. E. N. "Pat" Rosenthal, President.

Mr. Rosenthal announced that "In 1954, our company's 20th Anniversary, we are

eagerly looking forward to maintaining for another 20 years our policy of the best possible insulating siding products at the right price with all the merchandising power of bigger and greater promotions."

## Certain-teed Opens New District Office

A new sales district with headquarters in Jackson, Mississippi, has been established by Certain-teed Products Corporation, building materials manufacturer of Ardmore, Pennsylvania. G. W. Brown has been appointed sales manager of the new district which will serve Mississippi, Louisiana, western Tennessee, eastern Arkansas and two counties in Oklahoma.

Malcolm Meyer, Certain-teed vice-president in charge of sales, pointed out that the new sales district will enable the company to serve its customers in the South Central States more promptly and efficiently. "The Jackson sales district includes areas formerly served by our Dallas and St. Louis district offices," Mr. Meyer said. "We will be able to provide a more closely-integrated sales service operation for customers in those areas with our new more centrally-located headquarters office in Jackson."

## Nat. Gypsum Elevates Two In Commodity, Sales Depts.

National Gypsum has announced the promotion of J. P. Nicely to the position of General Commodity Manager, succeeding David G. Stenberg recently promoted to Central Division Manager.

Formerly district sales manager for the Washington, D. C., district, Mr. Nicely attended the University of Tennessee and is a graduate of Tennessee State College. He started with National Gypsum as a salesman in 1941. Since then he has been commodity manager for insulation board and assistant district manager in Baltimore.

David G. Stenberg will assume his duties of Central Division Manager on January 1st. His division covering the Minneapolis, Chicago, Detroit, Cleveland, Pittsburgh and Buffalo sales districts, will be the largest sales division of the company in area, in personnel and in sales volume.

## Five Barrett Division Plants Set High Safety Mark

Barrett Division, Allied Chemical & Dye Corporation, recently announced that employees at its Frankford, Philadelphia, plant had worked over 2,200,000 man-hours, and at its Grays Ferry, Philadelphia, plant, over 1,500,000 man-hours, without a lost time

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# Sales come easier with Gold Bond Asbestos Shingle Kits

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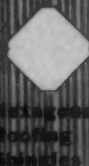
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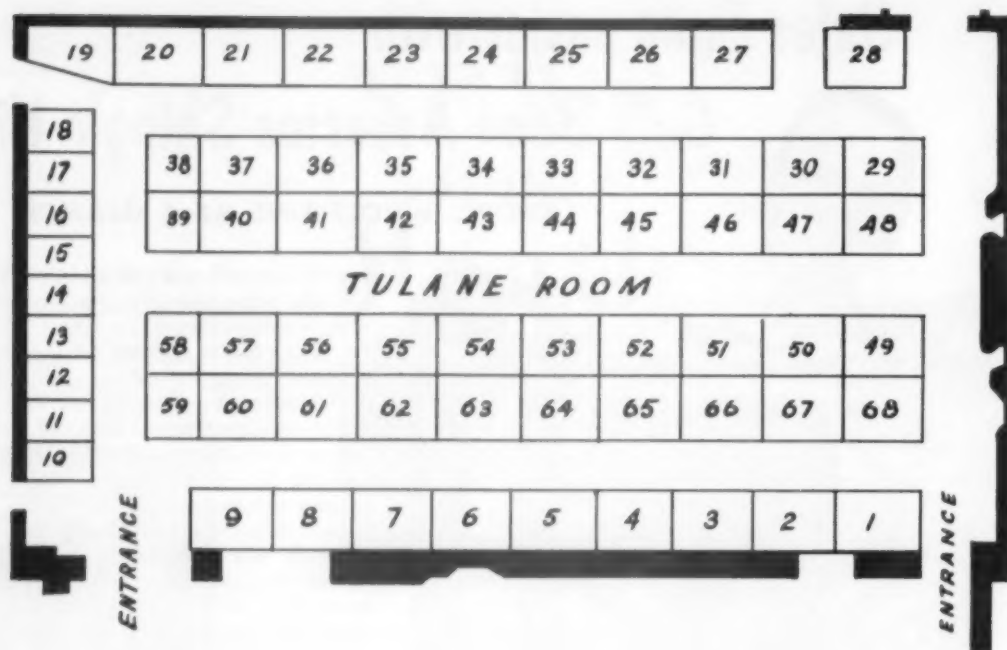


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## Marathon forum, Mardi Gras thrills, top NRCA Show

**A**CTING on the premise that roofing contractors want to know more about being good roofers than anything else, the directors of the 67th Annual Convention of the National Roofing Contractors Association have decided to devote practically the entire three-day period to a continuous and exhaustive forum on specifically roofer's problems. To that end, most of the forum leaders and speakers who will be present at the Jung Hotel in New Orleans, March 8, 9 and 10th will be drawn from the membership of the Association itself.

Continuous discussion on ten or eleven subjects of vital interest to contractors will comprise the meat of this three-day open forum. The contractors will gather every day at noon, with sessions lasting till 3:30 on Monday, 4:30 on Tuesday and 4:30 on Wednesday. The forum will take three or

four times the amount of time ever spent before at a National Roofers Convention.



B. D. Schramm as he addressed Forum last year.

Outstanding among association leaders of NRCA who led forums at last year's Convention were M. T. Buckley, Wichita, Kansas, on Apprenticeship Training, H. V. Wallace, New Orleans, on Tile and Asbestos Shingles, S. L. Smallwood, Cost and Overhead. Similarly, member-leaders will conduct this year's forums.

### Roofers Only

Exhibitors have been limited to people who service roofers and provide the materials, equipment and know-how which roofers can find most useful in their businesses, according to C. C. Figge, Executive Secretary. Mr. Figge pointed out that the basic principle upon which acceptance of membership in NRCA is considered, is whether the contractor is first and foremost a roofer. Such a man must have roofing as his main business upon joining. Although many of these roof-



**LIST OF EXHIBITORS, NRCA CONVENTION, MARCH 8, 9, 10, 1954**

*Because last minute changes had to be made in booth arrangements the list below is not keyed to the floor plan at left. Space has been left after each exhibitor's name for the visitor to the Convention to write in the booth number.*

Aeroil Products Company, Inc.....  
 American Associated Companies.....  
 American Roofer .....  
 Armstrong Cork Company.....  
 Barrett Division .....  
 (Allied Chemical & Dye Corp.).....  
 Biebel Roofing Company, Inc.....  
 Bird & Son, Inc.....  
 Campbell Equipment Company.....  
 The Philip Carey Manufacturing Co.....  
 The Celotex Corporation.....  
 Certain-teed Products Corporation.....  
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 Koppers Company, Inc.....

Littleford Bros., Inc.....  
 The Logan-Long Company.....  
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 Matt Coil-Less Burner Company.....  
 Moll Brothers Roofing Company.....  
 National Gypsum Company.....  
 National Roofer .....  
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 Gregory Industries, Inc.....  
 Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corporation.....  
 Pittsburgh Corning Corporation.....  
 Re-Nu-It Corporation .....  
 Roofing, Siding & Insulation.....  
 The Ruberoid Company.....  
 Smith's Hoist & Manufacturing Co.....  
 Snips Magazine .....  
 Stewart-Warner Corporation .....  
 G. H. Tennant Company.....  
 United States Gypsum Company.....

ers eventually have extensive allied fields of activity, and are not discouraged from adding other departments, they are mainly roofers when they join the organization.

The New Orleans Roofing Association of which Julien Loeb, Chairman of this year's National Convention, is an active leader, will be host group for the three-day stay. They will welcome their fellow contractors at a reception to be given on Sunday afternoon, March 7th.

The out-going Board of Directors will meet on Sunday evening, and the

incoming Board will meet on Wednesday after the Convention closes.

President Walter Simon will open the Convention and Exposition officially on Monday morning. Monday morning will also be official registration time.

**Celotex To Host**

Not only will Mr. Gates Ferguson of Celotex be the keynote speaker for this year's Convention, but Celotex will act as host at a reception to be given 5 P.M. Monday, and on Tuesday will sponsor a trip to their New Orleans plant. Tuesday evening Owens-Corning will sponsor a reception.

**Special Events**

Special luncheons are to be held at noon on Monday and Tuesday. Wednesday evening, of course, will be the time for the Annual Banquet. This year the old Mardi Gras spirit, still left over from the official New Orleans Mardi Gras of one week previously, will spill over at the Banquet and Entertainment of Wednesday evening. About 60 professional New Orleans Mardi Gras people will provide a typical Ball and Entertainment for the big night.

New Orleans' glamour and old world charm will give the ladies an opportunity for an extremely pleasant program. On Monday they will eat

at a real French Restaurant. A number of Old Southern Homes will be open and the ladies will be able to tour them. Later there will be a guided tour of New Orleans' Old French Quarter.

Tuesday will include a luncheon at the Blue Room of the Roosevelt Hotel and a cruise on the steamer President. On Wednesday the ladies will attend the horse races at beautiful Fair Grounds racetrack. They will have luncheon at the Clubhouse. Wednesday evening is the banquet night, with a souvenir for all the ladies.



Gordon Waters, of the Carolinas Roofers, one of NRCA's experts.



Carroll C. Figge, Executive Secretary, NRCA, who once again has made arrangements for a gala convention.

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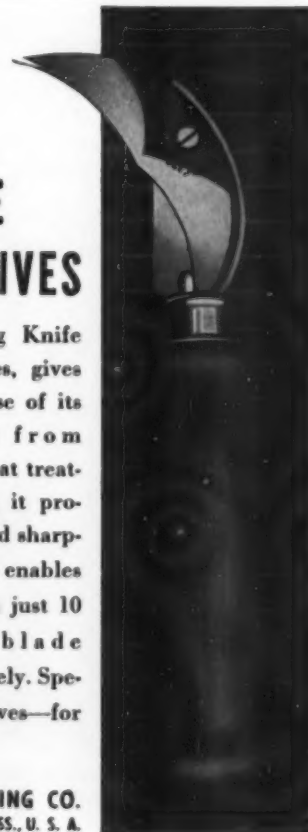


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# WHAT'S NEW?

## Liquid Synthetic Rubber

Adhesive Products Corporation has announced the development of a new liquid synthetic rubber, APCO, which is designed for home and industrial repair use.

The synthetic spreads easily like paint and rubberizes quickly at normal temperature. It has been developed from DuPont's synthetic rubber, Neoprene. Unlike most coatings or adhesives, it forms a tough flexible film that will adhere to almost any type of material; will not crack or chip; has excellent resistance to weathering.

## Foremen Training Films

The National Safety Council's new series of human relation training films for foremen is now available. Featuring O'Grady, the safety skeptic from the Council's film, "A Gray Day for O'Grady," this three-film set tells how a foreman learns about people.

"Fragile—Handle Feelings with Care" shows how a foreman learns to value and respect the feelings of his workers. "Call 'Em on the Carpet" shows the various methods foremen can employ to correct worker's faults without incurring ill will. "It's an Order" is a humorous film illustrating how supervisors should give orders so that they are understandable and can be carried out efficiently by the worker.

Prepared under the supervision of the Council's industrial department, the films run 12 minutes each and are available in 16mm. sound movies as well as 35mm. sound slidefilms.

## Retractable Track Window

Tracks that move back to allow inserts to clear easily and quickly are featured in a new all-aluminum storm-screen window which Pre-Fab Aluminum Products is now marketing.

The unique new window is called the Weathertrol. It was developed by the company's engineers after a study of homeowners and combination window dealers showed that the cleaning feature was one of the biggest "bugs" in existing windows.

The patented retractable tracks are worked from the inside. As the homeowner gives a controlling knob a half-twist, the tracks move back to let the inserts clear.

Other highlights of the new window are: expansion-proof plastic bearings on corners of all inserts to assure jam-free fingertip control at all times; the extension of the 3 tracks all the way around the window to enable all inserts, including the screens, to ride the full window.

The same manufacturers are also introducing a new packaging idea that should save dealers time, money and space. Instead of shipping bulky full-assembled windows or roughly-finished KD parts, they're shipping

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## Terne executive tells sheet metal men to call themselves roofers

"YOU sheet metal roofers are using considerable amounts of metal, both ferrous and non-ferrous, in coils or rolls, and this is as it should be. . . . That is why I question why you continue to limit yourselves to being only



Above: Photographed at the N. Y. State Roofing and Sheet Metal Contractors Convention, from left to right: L. P. Doty, District Sales Manager, Mill Products, Follansbee Steel Corporation; Thomas J. Boyd Product Engineer, Follansbee; and A. L. Veverka, Sales Promotion and Advertising Manager Follansbee.

sheet metal contractors. In the interest of brevity you could very correctly drop the word sheet and appropriately be called metal roofing contractors." This was the comment of A. L. Veverka, of Follansbee Steel Corporation at the recent 31st Annual Convention of the New York State Sheet Metal, Roofing and Air Conditioning Association, Inc., in January.

The Convention, held in Rochester, featured a special "Roofing and Sheet Metal Forum, chaired by George Ballard, Sr., and Mr. Veverka's talk on "Terne Metal Roofing."

Mr. Veverka stated: "I have been told on various occasions, 'the public doesn't want metal roofs.' Let us see how true that is. Our company engaged in a national advertising campaign to sell metal roofs to this very public and in one year's time we received more than 10,000 inquiries for

terne metal roofs. We realize all of these 10,000 people would not buy a metal roof, but it proves the public wants to know about them."

There is and has been for several years an ample supply of metal for roofing and weathersealing, Mr. Veverka told the assembled contractors. The Follansbee Steel Corporation executive, in explaining the difference between tin roofing and terne roofing pointed out that "it was a mistake to ever call terne plate tin."

"When you talk of Terne Metal Plate," Mr. Veverka said, "you are referring to a steel base plate, hot dip coated in a molten mixture of tin and lead. The percentage of tin is approximately 20% and the lead is 80%. In fact, Terne Metal Plate could be rightly described as a steel plate with a soldered covering over the entire surface."

The development, by Follansbee, of 50 foot, Seamless Terne Metal Rolls, Mr. Veverka pointed out, made possible a material vastly superior to the hand-dipped small sheets, on which uniform coating could not be assured. Continuous coating on the Seamless rolls now assures a uniform coating which will not vary from roll to roll. Need for the small sheets has been eliminated by the fact that these rolls can be cut to any desired length.

Regarding flatness, Mr. Veverka stated that the roll form lays more

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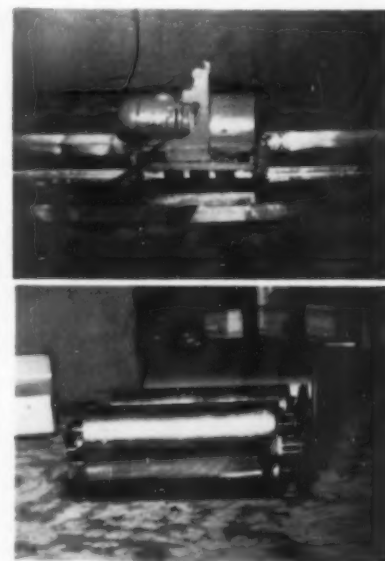
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## TV fame helps McGees sell roofing and siding



A familiar sight on Philadelphia TV screens: Gene McGee (left) and Bill McGee.

By **ALFRED ZEFF**  
News Editor

WHEN a prospective customer looks closely at Bill McGee or Gene McGee and says, "Where have I seen you before?" he's not just repeating a standard conversational opening. Chances are very good that he HAS seen either, or both, of the McGee brothers before—and most likely quite recently.

The personable McGees' avocation is acting and the television screen is their stage. While most businessmen have to shell out large sums of money to get their commercials beamed into the customers' living rooms, the proprietors of McGee Brothers, (roofing, siding and insulation,) of Philadelphia and Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania, enjoy the unique position of practicing their hobby, getting paid for it, and—a quite important and at that—sitting pretty with a highly potent public relations weapon.

As Bill, currently in his second consecutive term as president of the Philadelphia Council of NERSICA, puts it, "people feel different about television

personalities than they do about stage or screen actors. There is a greater feeling of personal identification in television . . . after all, the viewer is



Smallest shingling job for the brothers involved this small shed on Mushroom territory. Less than one square covered this roof.

inviting you into his home. And that is a great help in our business. When Gene or I tell the customer where he has seen us, he is much more at ease and a feeling of personal friendship is established."

That feeling of personal friendship is invaluable to the McGees' system of doing business. They do not employ any salesmen, at present, but do all the selling themselves. They do use

several canvassers to get leads and then Gene or Bill follow up and close the sale.

The video angle, however, is primarily a hobby and only secondarily a business aid. The McGees' business is built on quality of work and reliability of service. "We are proud of the jobs we have done," says Bill. "Yes," adds Gene, "our past work is our best selling aid. We take many of our prospective customers to jobs we have done in the neighborhood and show them end results, not drawings, brochures or tinsel-edged promises."

### Personal Supervision

"You have no idea how effective that method is . . ." this is Bill speaking again ". . . and customers like our method of personal supervision. Gene and I closely supervise every job we undertake. We make it a point to strictly adhere to factory specifications on materials."

McGee Brothers is now going into its ninth year of existence. When Capt. William R. McGee came out of the army in 1945 he went to work for a storm window firm and quickly became sales manager. After Eugene J. McGee joined the firm in 1946 from an electrical motor outfit, the brothers decided the individual McGee talents were ideally suited for teamwork and the next logical step was to go out on their own.

They began in 1947, selling insulation and storm windows, with roofing

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Picture (upper left) shows mushroom houses described in story. Extreme temperatures necessary for storage of mushrooms wreaked havoc with shingles. Photo (lower left) shows interlocking shingles employed by McGee Brothers to overcome warping induced by rapid changes of interior temperatures from very hot and moist to very cold.

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## Newly Revised Nailing Methods

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important element in proper application. Any roofing material must be properly fastened to a sound deck if it is to give good service. The deck must firmly hold the nails, and the nails must be of the right kind and be correctly located to hold the roofing. Premature roof failures are almost invariably due to faulty application, not to the roofing material itself, which

is carefully manufactured for long, trouble-free service.

Although proper application is important, contractors generally agree that asphalt roofing is easier to apply than other roofing materials. A few, simple, easily remembered instructions will assure proper nailing if they are carried out.

Selection of the right kind of nails is basic to proper nailing. Hot gal-

vanized (or equivalent) steel or aluminum nails should be used. They should be sharp-pointed with barbed, or otherwise deformed, shanks. They should be made of 11 or 12 gauge wire, with heads  $\frac{3}{8}$  in. to  $\frac{7}{16}$  in. in diameter.

## On New Roof Decks

For applying asphalt shingles on a new roof deck, use nails  $1\frac{1}{4}$  inches long. For reroofing on top of old roofing material, use nails  $1\frac{3}{4}$  inches long. Nails should penetrate at least  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch into deck lumber.

To avoid buckling, make sure that the shingle is accurately aligned before driving any nails. Start nailing at the end nearest the shingle last applied and proceed to the opposite end. Drive nails straight to avoid cutting the shingle with the edge of the nail head. Do not sink the nail head into the surface of the shingle.

Nailing specifications for standard types of asphalt shingles are shown in the illustrations.

## News

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accident. Three other Barrett plants have also exceeded the 1,000,000 man-hour mark. The total man-hours worked at these five plants without a lost time accident exceeds 7,600,000.

Barrett officials pointed out that this is considered an exceptional safety achievement because relatively few plants of any kind exceed the 1,000,000 man-hour mark. Speaking of the record at the Frankford plant, Mr. Charles J. Murphy, Works Manager, said, "Such an extraordinary safety record does not just happen. It is rather the result of constant study and planning by Management and enthusiastic cooperation of every employee at the plant."

## Building Contract \$ Volume Hit Record High Last Year

A new alltime high dollar-volume record was established in 1953 with \$17,463,000 in construction contract awards according to F. W. Dodge Corp. Reports totals. This total was 4 per cent higher than the previous alltime mark set in the preceding year for the 37 states east of the Rockies. They state that the large volume of contracts let in the second half of last year indicates that the amounts of current construction activity and work to be put in place during the coming months are very high indeed.

Generally speaking, 1953 kept ahead of 1952 even with a mild turndown in June. At the halfway point, cumulative totals for 1953 were ahead of the preceding year. While August and September fell behind corresponding months of 1952, the third-quarter total still was leading 1952. Boosted by awards in October and November, 1953 was then definitely headed towards a new high finish and reached it, even though the year's final month, December had awards of \$1,299.8



billion compared to December 1952's higher figure of \$1,467.4 billion.

Individual 1953 totals were: nonresidential, \$6,955,866,000; residential, \$6,479,143,000; heavy engineering, \$4,008,454,000. Non-residential, \$540,338,000, down 12 per cent from November and 24 per cent below December 1952; residential, \$433,500,000, down 10 per cent from November and down 1 per cent from December 1952; heavy engineering, \$325,926,000, up 9 per cent over November and 2 per cent above December 1952.

### National Safety Council Members Had Record Year

Workers employed by member companies of the National Safety Council had the safest year on record in 1952. They had fewer on-the-job accidents and the ones they had were less serious.

Industrial injury rates for last year, released by the Council in advance of the 1953 edition of its annual statistical yearbook, "Accident Facts," show a substantial reduction.

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### Nailing It Down

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the last promised exclusive article had arrived.

This, in short, is the story of the 1954 Convention Issue of American Roofer & Siding Contractor. However, it is far from being the only important story or issue of the year. April, 1954 will feature a complete report and presentation with staff-taken photographs, of the New Orleans Convention of the National Roofing Contractors Association. May, 1954 will see the same thing done for the National Established Roofing, Siding and Insulating Contractors Association's Convention in New York City.

There are several new feature stories slated to break within the next three months in some of our major fields of coverage. Activity on the part of manufacturers in the ever-constant search for new and broader markets has resulted in the development of new products which the roofing and siding contractor can sell to increase his own income. Several important developments are now shaping up; they will be told about in the months to come.

Of course there are going to be vast changes in government loan programs during this session of Congress, many roofing contractors will have stories of unusual jobs successfully completed, and selling experts of outstanding writing ability will tell how to latch on to more and more better jobs.

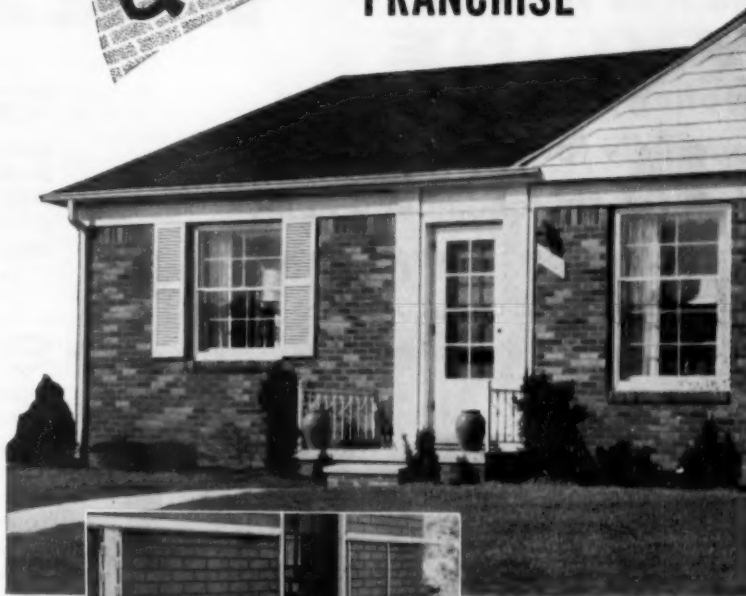
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SO THEY call salesmen "extroverts," the psychology professors and the egg-head novelists. So we're supposed to be "outward-turning," up-and-doing, glad-handing and back-slapping. We're not supposed to have any doubts, we never peer into our seething soul, we don't keep our finger on our psychological pulse, or sit quietly and contemplate our navel.

O.K., we'll be extroverts, and we'll show them that being so is good for business, but not in the way they think. It's not necessarily the big smile and the life-of-the-party approach that makes the good salesman, because

By CHAN CHAPMAN

there are plenty of customers who can't swallow that stuff. The more we turn our minds to getting into step with the customer, and the less we turn inside, and hide our self-pre-occupation by pressing a button and putting on the "salesman's face," the better salesmen we'll be.

This doesn't mean that we have no inside to turn to. We won't talk about those terrible days of doubt when we hit a slump and might as well use our order blanks for gin-rummy score

pads; when we are glad to take a prospect to lunch not because we have any confidence in closing the sale, but because we need the cocktail, and we know what happens to salesmen who start taking bottled encouragement along during working hours.

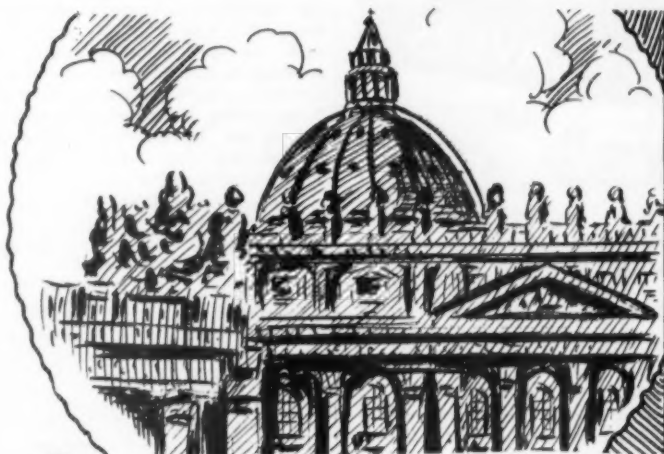
We won't mention all the times we'd like to say, "Lady, I don't care if your plaster does come down and bang some sense into your head — and your husbands, who tried three times to patch up that roof, and has never heard about the flashing, and I'll bet that's where the leak actually is." And when we have to say, instead, "Well, ma'am, everybody has to economize these days, but sometimes do-it-yourself is not quite enough to take care of every angle of the job, skillful as your husband was in making those three excellent patches."

## Say The Right Thing

The point is, the kind of extrovert the salesman has to be is the one who gets into the habit of saying the right thing because he's used to thinking outward. He has to get into the customer's mind, and try to imagine what the customer's problems are, what his blocks are against signing up for that new roof. If you stop asking yourself, "How'm I doing?" and instead concentrate on the housewife with some of the intensity of the lover (don't misunderstand, please) who notices when the lady's eyes begin to wander, or become glazed and unfocused in the way that means she's no longer listening; if you are alert for that waver in the voice that means doubt, or the easily-put-on smile that means no, you're not the only home improvement dealer in her life, but while you're here she might as well be polite, even if you must waste your time and hers; if you try to size up what the family can afford (not like

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## What's New

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## Chimney Housing

The new Van-Packer chimney housing is molded from 3/16" cement asbestos panels and embossed to simulate brick and mortar joints. Pre-painted brick red with natural color mortar lines, the embossed design of the panels permits easy repainting, if desired, to match other brick colors. The housing measures 16 1/2" wide by 24" deep. It is easily cut on the job to fit any roof ridge or pitch. The pre-drilled panels are shipped knocked-down and assembled with angle iron supports and sheet metal screws.

The manufacturer claims that non-brick appearance no longer need prevent sale of



the product as a safer, more flexible, 34% more efficient and 50% less expensive chimney than conventional brick. It was pointed out that the acid-proof fireclay tile inner lining and 3" vermiculite concrete wall has withstood temperatures in excess of 2000°F. in Underwriters' Laboratories tests. The packaged masonry chimney is listed for home heating plants and all types of incinerators, and designated type Class "A" for all fuels, by U. L., A.G.A., F.H.A. and all major building codes.

Due to its sectional construction, the item may be placed directly over the furnace in the center of the house as easily and inexpensively as against a wall.

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According to the manufacturer, the packaged masonry sections and chimney housing can be completely assembled and installed by two men in approximately 97 minutes. The new simulated brick housing was primarily developed for use with the complete packaged masonry chimney. The housing is also now available separately, however, as an enclosure for existing metal chimneys and bare gas pipe vents on homes.

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## Moisture-proof Masonry Paint

A new formulation of an oil base masonry paint is now offered by the Ohio Paint & Color Co. for the protection of interior as well as exterior surfaces against moisture penetration. This product, called Cindresal, is said to seal and beautify all types of



masonry surfaces and, in most cases, with a one-coat application.

The manufacturer claims that in addition to its deeply penetrating oil base, Cindrseal is a flexible coating that conforms with the normal expansion and contraction of masonry thereby giving protection against cracking and peeling. Special fungicidal agents have been incorporated in the formula to provide resistance to the deteriorating action of mold, mildew and other types of growth resulting from damp walls. The disintegrating influence of lime, salt and alkalis will not affect the colors of Cindrseal, says the manufacturer.

Advantages claimed by the manufacturer are the ease of application direct-from-the-can, and the fact that Cindrseal can be applied to any solid surface including those previously coated with water-based cement paints. Only preparation requirement is that the wall be wirebrushed if loose or flaky particles are evident.

One gallon covers 100 to 250 sq. feet, depending on type surface to be coated. Cindrseal may be sprayed however. It is furnished in a consistency for immediate brush application. Drying time is approximately 4 to 6 hours. Standard package sizes are 5 gallon pails, 1 gallon and quart containers. The regular colors include titanium white, pale green, brick red, buff, ivory, stone gray and slate gray. A special array of deep-tone colors are also available and these can be combined with a tinting white to produce a desired color or shade.

### Aluminum Forms Booklet

Production of aluminum continuous roll-formed shapes, ranging from television antenna tubing to parts for trucks and trailers is described in a booklet published by Reynolds Aluminum Fabricating Service, and is available without charge.

The publication explains the advantages of continuous roll-formed shapes. The process makes available an extremely wide variety of cross-sectional shapes rolled from flat or coiled strips in any length required. Dimensional accuracy, better finishes and flexibility of design are emphasized as paramount advantages to manufacturers from the use of roll-formed parts.

Liberal illustrated, the booklet shows examples of rolled-formed parts produced in large quantities by Reynolds Aluminum Fabricating Service. These include storm sash sections, desk trim, bus trim, parts for clothes dryers, scaffolds, ranch gates, awnings, and trailer bodies.

### ASTM Standards Compilation

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lication is of great value to producers and consumers and all others concerned with these fields.

Included are 41 specifications and 58 methods of testing covering highway construction materials, waterproofing and roofing materials (such as asphalts, tar and coal-tar pitch, fabrics, felts, shingles, creosote, and many others), also viscosity by means of the Saybolt Viscosimeter, volume correction tables, etc.

Recommended practices cover accelerated weathering test and bituminous mixing plant inspection.

There are definitions of terms relating to bituminous waterproofing and roofing materials (19 definitions), materials for roads and pavements, specific gravity and timber preservatives.

New material includes tentative specifications and test methods for: vacuum distillation of liquid and semi-solid asphaltic materials to obtain a residue of specified penetration; concrete joint sealer, hot-poured elastic type; concrete joint sealers; asphalt-base emulsions for use as protective coatings for built-up roofs; ASTM-IP Petroleum Measurement Tables; ASTM Thermometers, and Sieves for Testing Purposes (Wire Cloth Sieves, Round-Hole and Square-Hole Screens or Sieves). New proposed methods of test are included for: flash point of volatile flammable materials by tag open-cup apparatus; and water in petroleum and bituminous products. One report published as information only covers studies of the following work: stripping test for bitumen-aggregate mixtures.

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The attractive one-story house, pictured here, was one of the featured exhibits at the seventh annual Chicagoland Home and Home Furnishing Festival. One of the 91 new houses, 47 of them completely furnished, that were on display in Chicago and its suburbs, this home was built and furnished by Valenti Builders, Inc., of Chicago.

## Yarrington Tells Kettlemen How To Care For Kettles And Tanks

M. M. Yarrington of the Yarrington Aeroil Service, Jacksonville, Fla., in his "Hot Stuff Chats" information sheet, has given the following helpful hints to kettlemen:

Keep your kettle and tanks under cover, if only under a canvas. Be SURE to keep a filler cap on your tank, because if rusting starts inside, it will be useless to try to repair the tank. With the filler cap on the tank, rust just can't build up. Keep your idle tanks well filled with fuel. It holds down the rust attack.

Never store a kettle full of asphalt. Worse if it is full of pitch. If you are going to lay the equipment up for a short time, clean it thoroughly, and give it a coat of paint. Honestly, it deserves good treatment, because in the end, it will PAY YOU. Nothing seems to get kicked around like the poor kettle. Yet it is the heart of the flat roofing business.

Do you start your kettle in the yard BEFORE you start for a job? If the job is local, you'll find it will save you time if you light up your torch and let your kettle heat while you trail. Possibly you can't trail over rough roads quite as fast with liquid in the

kettle but when you get on the job you don't have to WAIT for hot. The boys in California are past masters at saving time this way. You never see a kettle trailing to a job that is not heating up as it goes.

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tion in both frequency and severity of 1952 accidents as compared with 1951.

Thirty-one of the 40 basic industry classifications reduced their frequency rates, and 25 reduced severity rates.

The average accident frequency rate for employees in all industries submitting company reports to the Council, based on the number of disabling injuries per 1,000,000 man-hours, was 8.40 in 1952—a reduction of 7 per cent from the year before.

The communication industry again led all others by turning in the lowest employee frequency rate. Its rate was 1.61—a 10 per cent reduction. Electrical equipment ranked second with 3.38, followed by the automobile industry with 3.62. Cement, third in 1951, dropped to sixth.

## Olson Co. Moves N. Y. Office To New Long Island Location

The New York office of the Olson Co., Inc., formerly located in the Woolworth Building, has been moved to the company's

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new location at 92-13 183rd Street, Jamaica, Long Island, New York. The firm, which manufactures roofs, sidewalls, windows and insulation, requests that all telephone calls and mail be directed to the new address so that they can continue operations without any delay.

### Ott Named Ass't Sales Mgr. The Philip Carey Mfg. Co.

Appointment of Willard B. Ott to the position of Assistant Sales Manager, Building Products Division of The Philip Carey Mfg. Company, was announced recently by L. W. Clarke, Vice President in charge of sales.

In his new position Ott will be concerned primarily with the distribution of Carey Thermo-Bord, a structural and insulating panel. Ott comes to the Carey general offices from Minneapolis where he was headquar-



W. B. OTT

tered as a salesman of the Chicago district.

Ott first joined Carey in 1933 at which time he held an office position. In 1938 he became a member of the sales force of F. I. Products Company, a Carey distributor. He was later Assistant Sales Manager of the W. S. Nott Company, also a Carey distributor. In 1941 he rejoined the Carey organization as a sales representative, a position he has held continuously since that time with the exception of a two year period in the armed forces.

### Reynolds Opens Aluminum Reduction Plant in Arkansas

Reynolds Metals Company's new Robert P. Patterson aluminum reduction plant, located near Arkadelphia, Arkansas, now is in operation, according to an announcement by J. Louis Reynolds, the firm's vice-president in charge of operations. The facility, named in honor of the late company vice-president and director, has an annual rated capacity of 110 million pounds of virgin aluminum. Its operation gives the company an annual production capacity of 829 million pounds.

J. W. Hutchison is manager of the new plant, which cost an estimated \$34 million. Its construction was entirely privately-financed. The facility, the most modern of its type, is located on a 780-acre site south of Arkadelphia, just off U. S. Route 67, the main highway between Little Rock and Texarkana. The "pot rooms," where metallic

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aluminum is produced, are 1827 feet in length. About 400 workers will be employed when the plant reaches full production. The main contractors were Dittmars-Dickmann-Pickens Construction Company, Little Rock, and W. S. Bellows Construction Company, Houston, who combined in a joint operation under the name Aluminum Constructors, Inc.

Aluminum, the plant's end product, was used extensively in its construction. Aluminum siding covers many of the buildings. The firm operates another reduction plant in the state—its Jones Mills facility, located in the northern end of Hot Spring County. Alumina, which is converted into metallic aluminum at the reduction plants, is supplied by the Reynolds alumina plant at Hurricane Creek. And the basic aluminum ore—bauxite

—is mined by a subsidiary firm, Reynolds Mining Company, near Bauxite, Arkansas.

### Aeroil G.M. Announces Promotion, Increased Sales

A recent statement by Joseph Halperin, General Manager of Aeroil Products Co., Inc., of South Hackensack, N. J., included the announcement of the appointment of Charles Klevis to the post of Pacific Coast Manager, and the attribution of increased company sales throughout the Midwest in great part to the concentrated efforts of Bill Wonder.

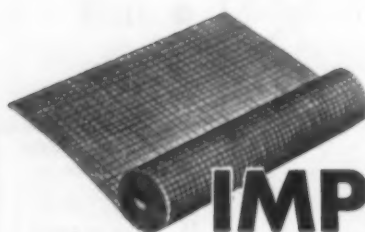
Mr. Klevis, who has been Seattle, Wash., Branch Manager for a number of years, will make the Seattle office his headquarters.

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paper, used over sheathing and sub-flooring, is unrolled and measured to length. Then it is pulled over the sawhorse and cut. The groove holds the knife to a straight line and assures a complete cut with one stroke.

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His duties will be to supervise and control West Coast Sales activities for the company.

Mr. Wonder, who makes his home in Kansas City, Mo., is one of the more recent additions to the Aeroil sales force. He is under the general jurisdiction of Bob Willem, the firm's Midwest Regional Manager.

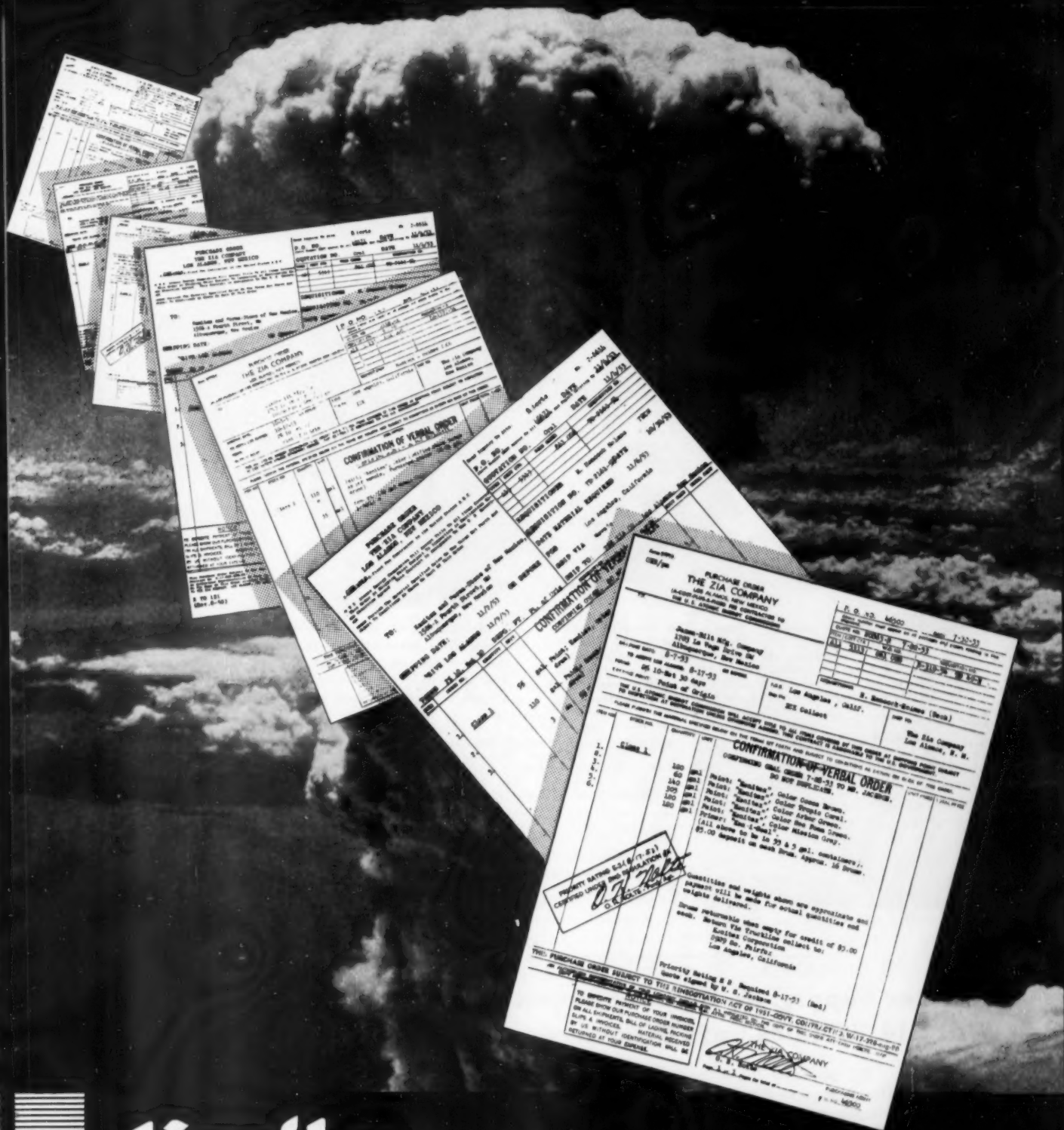
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## Two More Celotex Employees Join Firm's 25-Year Club

George I. Smith, manager of the acoustical department, and John J. North, an assistant to the manager of the roofing and siding products department, have become members of the Celotex Twenty-Five Year Club, it was announced recently by Henry W. Collins, executive vice president of the Celotex Corporation, Chicago, Ill.

At the luncheon given in their honor by members of the club, Mr. Smith and Mr. North were welcomed by the corporation's president, Otis S. Mansell.





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## California Roofing Contractors Association Installs Slate Of Officers At Dinner



The picture shows incoming Prexy Ted Strong (right, center) receiving the gavel from Ex-(Has Been) Ed Virgin (left, center) along with the members in attendance. The new President presented his "State of the Organization" message, as well as detailing plans for continuing the long term objectives of previous administrations.

A delegation of four members from the Riverside-San Bernardino Association were present as guests, as well as the President of the State Roofers' Association. The festivities were continued the following afternoon at a Golf Tournament held at the Montebello Country Club.

A slate of 11 new officers and directors of the Roofing Contractors Association of Southern California took office at a recent installation meeting of the trade group at 7315 Melrose Ave.

Officers and members from the State association in San Francisco, Riverside and San Bernardino attended the evening meeting when Ted Strong took

office as president of the Southern California group.

Others installed were Robert Griffin, vice-president; Emory Eberhard, secretary; George Garrett, treasurer, and Carson Bell, W. H. Davidson and John Weaver, directors. Eberhard, Garrett, Griffin and Strong also are named on the board of directors.

increased from 718,500 tons in 1950 to 1,250,000 tons in 1953, a jump of 74 percent. Additional capacity is under construction by a new producer who expects to begin actual production during 1954. Another company is reported also to be entering the aluminum production field. When their facilities are completed, the five domestic producers will have a total productive capacity of 1,550,000 tons of primary aluminum.

### Greater Supply, No Civilian Restrictions Will Aid '54 Sales Says Official

"The year 1954 promises to be a 'selling year,' the biggest in the aluminum industry's history," Richard S. Reynolds, Jr., president of Reynolds Metals Company, recently predicted. He cited these reasons for this expectation:

1. "The supply will be greater than ever before in the industry's history, assuring all consuming industries of adequate supplies.

2. "For the first time since the Korean war began, the year starts without any restrictions on civilian uses.

3. "With the major part of the expansion program begun three years ago completed, the aluminum industry has shifted its emphasis from increasing production to market development and increasing sales.

"Primary aluminum production is expected to approach 1,400,000 tons, about 12 percent more than 1953. As a result of the expansion program during the past three years and the investment of over \$600 million by the domestic producers in new productive capacity and auxiliary facilities, annual output of primary aluminum was

### Construction To Grow

"The industry's major civilian market, the construction field, continues to grow rapidly as new applications are found for aluminum," Mr. Reynolds said. "One of the most striking developments is the construction industry's adoption of aluminum curtain-wall panels for office buildings and industrial structures. A dramatic demonstration of aluminum's advantages for this type of construction took place during the summer of 1953 in New York when three crews of five men each covered the entire surface of a 26 story office building with prefabricated aluminum panels in 6½ working days. About 60 other aluminum-

faced office and industrial buildings have either been built or are in the process of construction.

"The widespread acceptance of aluminum by metal consuming industries, coupled with the increased supply and the maintenance of a favorable price relationship with competing materials, make the aluminum industry optimistic about 1954 sales prospects," Mr. Reynolds said. "But to realize these prospects," he emphasized, "a vigorous sales campaign and resourceful market development work will be necessary."

## Icy Climate

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roofing. What little moisture was left on the top side, as we turned it, was then allowed to drain down through the cracks in the decking.

That about covers the problems involved in this project. To date we have completed some 2500 squares, and I believe everyone is very satisfied.

## Jeep Hoist Solves Height Problem

A novel method of hoisting asphalt shingles from ground to roof won an 88-square sale for the Clay Building Materials Co., Comanche, Texas. The method could be used with profit by any contractor in a similar situation.



J. B. Ruth, manager of the Clay Building Materials Co., Comanche, Texas, backs a jeep to hoist a bundle of interlocking asphalt shingles up the ingenious conveyor he devised. B. A. Wilson, the contractor, stands by the pile of shingles on the ground.

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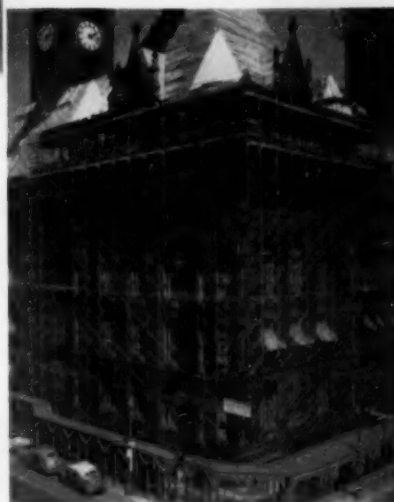
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J. B. Ruth, company manager, fastened skate wheel conveyors on a frame from the ground to the 35-foot-high eaves of the Comanche Grammar School. A cable was run through a pulley at the top of the frame and fastened to the front end of a jeep. Bundles of shingles were raised by backing the jeep.

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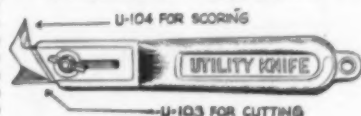
roof, not the ground. Ruth held his additional delivery cost to 10 cents a square.

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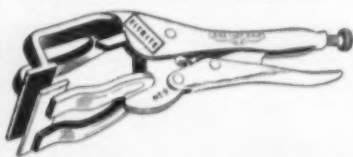
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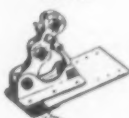
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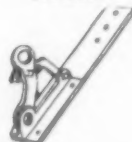
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## "Siding Better"

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shingles. But once they did, insulating siding became even more popular.

## FHA Acceptance

The popularity of the overlap shake shingle pattern was further accelerated by the Federal Housing Administration's acceptance of it when installed over wood, exterior gypsum board or fiberboard sheathing. This was a great forward step in pushing sale of insulating siding for new construction.

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The stumbling block to use of insulating siding on gypsum or fiberboard had been the problem of holding siding to sheathing where vertical joints fell between studs. The method now approved is the use of a three inch nail—copper or aluminum—that is driven completely through both siding and sheathing. A simple twisting tool is then used to put a pretzel-like curl in the end of the nail, so that it provides a positive anchor against the back of the sheathing.

Incidentally, F.H.A. Use of Materials Bulletin No. UM-12 covers application of insulating siding in new construction, in case you would like to learn more of the details.

## Costs On New Homes

You may be interested in the considerable savings that can be made in construction cost by using insulating siding on new homes. If you aren't interested in doing new construction work, maybe these figures will enliven an interest.

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Insulating siding seems to lend itself to modern, cost-saving construction techniques where every motion must be carefully planned to contribute its full share to the over-all result. One builder operating in the northern Indiana area has developed an efficient method of building sidewalls complete on the floor or ground before tipping them into place. He estimates that the floor assembly and tip-up technique cuts wall cost as much as 30 per cent, with insulating siding contributing considerable to the cost reduction because it goes in place so quickly.

#### In Home Modernization

The same advantages that make insulating siding so adaptable to new construction have been at work in home modernization work for more than a generation, as many of you well know. Insulating siding isn't the cheapest sidewall material you can use, but it certainly is one of the easiest to install.

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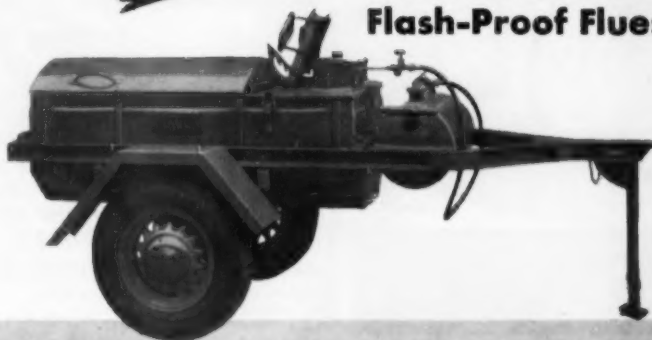
If insulating siding is so good, you may reasonably ask, why isn't more of it sold? There are several reasons, none of them really valid, which I won't discuss in detail except to say that a lot of good opportunities have been missed. My prime purpose is to make sure the opportunities that are present today aren't neglected.

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## Terne Executive

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flatly, and has less buckles than the sheet form. For complete roofs Follansbee recommends 20" wide rolls. Where the flat lock and soldered roof is installed on a low pitch roof, the material can be cut into eight or ten foot lengths and be formed on a brake. This allows for occasional cleats at the short seams.

An unusual new development, demonstrated by representatives of Follansbee Steel Corp. is The Portable Electric Seamer, a labor-saving device, which makes the formation of seams on terne metal roofing easy and simple.

Joseph D. Wilder, Executive Secretary of the National Organization of Sheet Metal Contractors, gave a report on activities of the Sheet Metal Contractors' National Association.

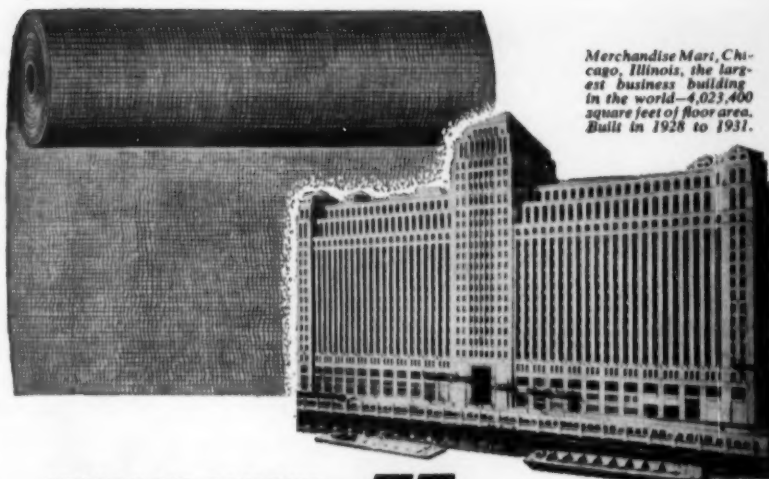
At the conclusion of the Convention new officers were elected for the forthcoming year. These included Richard W. Friday, President; F. Van Pils, First Vice-President; Irving Spalty, Second Vice-President; and Clarence J. Meyer, Secretary-Treasurer.

## TV Roofers

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and siding quickly joining their line of services. Time and experience proved that roofing, siding and heating were the most profitable aspects of their business and they decided to specialize along those lines.

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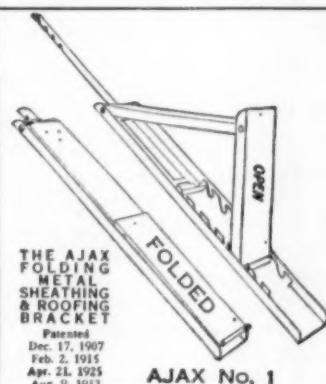


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They both are firm believers in reliability and dependability, and take pride in the fact that they are frequently called upon by satisfied customers to contract such allied jobs as plumbing, wiring, etc. "The customer knows that when we contract to do a job for them, even though it is not our specialty, we live up to our standards," says Bill. "We sub-contract those jobs out of our immediate scope," he continues, "and we take extreme care in who we let do the job. If a sub-contractor doesn't follow our specifications, we never use or recommend him again. On the other hand, when we get a good, reliable sub-contractor, we recommend him to fellow NERSICA roofers whenever they ask us for a man in that particular service.

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Both brothers, Bill in the office at 227 Lee Circle, Bryn Mawr, and Gene in the office at 2932 E. Elbridge Street, Philadelphia, are firm believers in fair trade and licensing of roofing contractors — "First we have to prove we are not thieves, then we can concentrate on selling our products." Both feel that their business is an extremely vulnerable one in its present stage.

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Their business isn't the only thing that has built up rapidly for brothers McGee—so have their families. Gene is the father of three and Bill of five, but it's hard to figure out whether Daddies McGee or Howdy Doodie is No. 1 on the Junior McGees' TV Hit Parade.

Gene and Bill have pretty definite ideas on how a business is to be conducted reliably and fairly, and they are capable of putting across their ideas. When their background, practices, and business ideas are summed up, the observer can say—"Taint funny, McGee... it is good business sense."

### Photo of the Month

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in Parma Heights, Ohio, which is in the Cleveland Sales District for Certain-teed. The Sales Representatives of the manufacturers in this District are R. W. Miltz and R. J. Hardwick.

Don W. Kromer was the architect on this unusual, big, fast construction job.

### NERSICA Convention

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9 A.M. until noon on Monday, March 22, will have E. A. Swenson, Built-up Roofing Dept. of Flintkote; Willis Craig, Director of Research, Labco; and E. F. Dittmer, Administrative Assistant, Philip Carey Co., as the members of the Manufacturers Panel.

Mr. Swenson will discuss the development of cold process, touching on types of materials and techniques needed in application. The use of specific materials in the process will be covered by Mr. Dittmer. Use of

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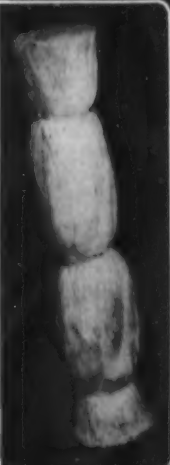
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## OUTLINE OF THREE-DAY PROGRAM

### Twelfth Annual NERSICA Convention and Exposition

Mon.-Wed., March 22, 23 and 24, 1954  
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Sunday, March 21st

Board of Directors Meeting.

Monday, March 22nd

9:00 A.M. — Built-Up Roofing  
Forum.

Subject: "Cold Process." Detailed presentation by representatives of manufacturers interested in the cold process application of built-up roofing. The aim is to keep members informed on developments and difficulties. Question-and-answer period follows. Charles Griffith, Binghamton Slag Roofing Co., able moderator of 1953 Forum, will again run the meetings.

1:30 P.M.—Office Management  
Forum.

Subject "How to Improve OUR office Operations." Program under auspices of National Office Management Association—an international organization to increase office efficiency and engage in research in the administrative field. Speaker and forum leader is Staff Director of NOMA Technical Division Arthur H. Gager, Philadelphia. NOMA is making a survey of NERSICA members. The forum will discuss the findings in light of modern practices, looking to improvements and savings. Paul Daniluk of Danco, Inc., Denver, Colo. will be moderator and a panel of six NERSICA members will help Mr. Gager in answering floor questions. ....

Tuesday, March 23rd

9:00 A.M. — Built-Up Roofing  
Forum.

Subject: "Hot Processes." This program features the same panel of experts that made Built-Up forums of the past three years successful; also performed such a great service in eliminating troubles. Question-and-answer period follows.

12:30 P.M.—Luncheon.

Speaker: Guy Hollyday, Federal Housing Administration Commissioner, Washington. He will discuss the new modernization and slum clearance program.

Following the luncheon, honors will be accorded those who were members of the original Northeastern Reroofing and Residing Contractors Association from its inception in 1933 to the formation of NERSICA in 1943.

3:00 P.M. — Annual Business  
Meeting.

Action will be taken here on problems of the industry and matters of NERSICA policy and service. Election of officers and directors. Time permitting, there will also be a discussion of NERSICA's services with a panel to answer questions.

Wednesday, March 24

9:00 A.M.—Building Specialties  
Forum.

With NERSICA Director G. I. Lyons, Lancaster, Pa., as moderator, representatives of the National Metal Awning Association will discuss the future of their industry; as will the National Combination Storm Window and Door Institute, Inc.; and the representatives of jalousie manufacturers. To answer questions, a panel of contractor experts will assist the manufacturers' men.

12:00 P.M.—Luncheon.

Speaker: Dr. Charles Reittel, famed management expert and member of internationally-known management engineering firm of Stevenson, Jordan and Harrison of New York City. His subject, "Sound Business Management," will be a "refresher course" on the four-day Management Clinic he conducted at the 1948 NERSICA Convention. Past President Lee Verchereau will be the moderator for this all-afternoon session, assisted by a panel of contractor experts.

supporting materials, such as felts, glass solvent type coatings, emulsion coatings, plastics, etc., will be discussed by the entire panel.

At the afternoon session, running from 2 P.M. until 5 P.M., Mr. Craig will analyze cold process maintenance methods. He will survey types of

materials that are favorable for roof maintenance, together with the utility of each type. The entire panel will participate in a discussion on the subject of application and techniques.

The Hot Process sections will be conducted during the same time periods on Tuesday, March 23. The

panel of manufacturers for this meeting will be comprised of: N. F. Brown, Certain-teed; Tom Dantz, Ruberoid; Mr. Dittmer; Ted Lyons, Johns-Manville and Carl Timpe, Barrett. Topics for consideration and discussion will include: Improved workmanship, mechanized operation, understanding specifications and temperature control.

Charles N. Griffiths, Binghampton Slag Roofing Co., Binghampton, N. Y., who served in the same capacity in 1953, will be the chairman of all Roofing Forums. He will assist the panels in answering questions from the floor.

#### Forum Moderator

NERSICA Director G. I. Lyons, Insulation Co. of Pennsylvania, Lancaster, Pa., will act as the moderator of the Building Specialties Forum, beginning at 9 A.M., Wednesday, March 24. Representatives of the National Metal Awning Association, will discuss the past, present and future of their organization, as will members of the National Combination Storm Window and Door Institute, Inc. Also on hand will be a representative of the jalousie manufacturers.

The Office Management Forum, on Monday, March 22 at 1:30 P.M., will offer a program under the auspices of the National Office Management Association. Main speaker and forum leader will be Arthur H. Gager, Staff Director of NOMA Technical Division. The forum will discuss the findings of questionnaires now being circulated among NERSICA members on office procedure. Paul Daniluk, Danco, Inc., Denver, Colo., will be moderator and a six-man panel will aid Mr. Gager in answering questions.

#### Stop Selling Slumps

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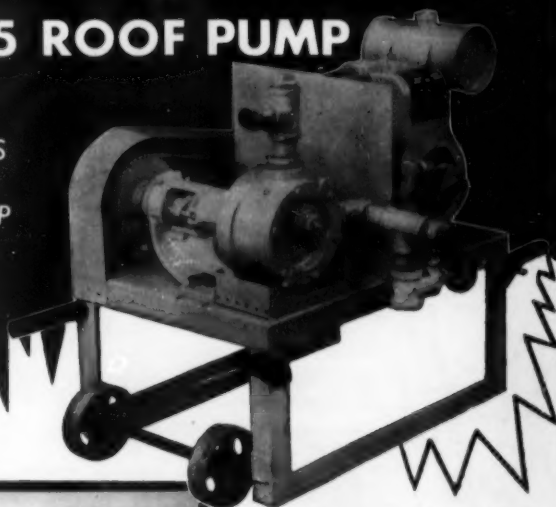
the doctor with the x-ray vision who sees what you have in your pocket, and charges just that much), so that they will be grateful for a helpful and reasonable estimate, instead of getting rid of you when you try to talk them into the type of siding that's beyond their means; if, in other words, you show in business the sharp interest in others that you do in your personal and social life, then being an extrovert means good commissions.

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Of course, you can avoid trouble by not taking yourself seriously, by not meaning what you say. But then you know you won't get across, or not for long. You can put on interest and appreciation for just so long. Then something happens.

### Old Army Pal

Like what happened to the old army pal who once visited us. We were fixing up the house, and I mentioned what a good job my wife had done decorating the spare room. We all moved toward it, but on the way I tossed open a closet door, intending to show a new panel sheathing I was using. Fred must have missed his cue, because the closet door wasn't even open before he was melting into raptures about what wonderful taste my wife had in her color scheme for the spare room. He blushed through the rest of the evening, and never pressed the "appreciation" button again.

The point was, Fred was too much concerned with the impression he wanted to make, not enough with the actual situation. He was something like the famous violinist who said to the other musician, "Oh, but now let's talk about you. Tell me, what did you think of my last concert? Turn

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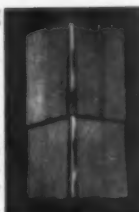
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### Watch Technique

I was visiting an old teacher of mine, one of those crusty characters with a cool outside and a warm inside. He asked me to stay around and observe the technique of a new insurance agent in town. The man came, was polite, affable, considerate. Then I saw him lose the sale in two seconds, without a word. While leaning forward to show an actuarial table, he put his hand on Mr. Chip's knee. I saw my friend tighten up, and within fifteen minutes the salesman found himself outside. If he were sweet sixteen he'd be weeping himself to sleep on his moist pillow wondering what he had said wrong.

He should have noticed that a man who preferred to sit in a straight-backed chair, who had no television set but a wall-full of classical records, who stood up when his wife came into the room, and who always said "Mr. Bowers" or "Sir" when he asked the salesman a question, was not the kind of man who would like his knee massaged by a complete stranger. That was one back that a smart salesman would not slap (or a knee he would not touch!)

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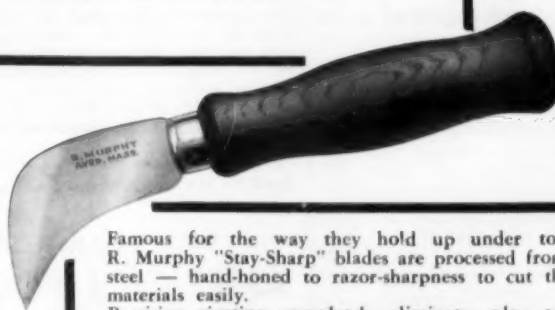
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